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CONFIRMED MINUTES

Shire of West Arthur Ordinary Council Meeting 28 September 2023

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These Minutes were confirmed at the ordinary council meeting on: 26 October 2023

Signed: 

Presiding Member at the meeting at which the Minutes were Confirmed.

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**MINUTES OF SHIRE OF WEST ARTHUR
ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS
ON THURSDAY, 28 SEPTEMBER 2023 AT 7.00PM**

1 DECLARATION OF OPENING/ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS

The Presiding Member declared the meeting open at 7.00pm.

2 ATTENDANCE/APOLOGIES/APPROVED LEAVE OF ABSENCE

COUNCILLORS:	Cr Neil Morrell	(Shire President)
	Cr Graeme Peirce	(Deputy Shire President)
	Cr Karen Harrington	
	Cr Robyn Lubcke	
	Cr Neil Manuel	
	Cr Duncan South	
	Cr Adam Squires	
STAFF:	Vin Fordham Lamont	(Chief Executive Officer)
	Rajinder Sunner	(Manager Corporate Services)
	Gary Rasmussen	(Manager Works and Services)
	Sharon Bell	(Community Development Officer)
APOLOGIES:	Nil	
ON LEAVE OF ABSENCE:	Nil	
ABSENT:	Nil	
MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC:	Lucy Hall	(Councillor Elect)
	Rebecca South	
	James Wisniewski	

3 ANNOUNCEMENTS OF THE PRESIDING MEMBER

President Morrell thanked Cr Peirce for presiding at the previous meeting.

4 RESPONSE TO PREVIOUS PUBLIC QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE

Nil

5 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Mr Wisniewski raised concerns regarding the development of the self-contained short stay RV site and dump point proposed by Council in the 23/24 Budget. His questions and the responses from Council are as follows;

1. Will there be a Free Camp area set up inside Darkan Townsite?

We are aware that people are already free camping in the townsite – mainly at the Recreation Centre, Information Bay and Robert Perry Park. The creation of a designated 24 hour RV rest site will help to control this problem.

2. What information have you put out to the public in regards to this, to alert residents who will be opposed to this project?

The Shire's Strategic Community Plan clearly states:

Local Economy – Stable and Sustainable agricultural industry and a dynamic and growing business sector.

Outcome 2.2 – a growing, diverse business community:

- Investigate tourism opportunities and support this growing sector
- Maintain and enhance our existing assets to encourage visitation
- Promote the Shire to people outside the area as a fantastic place to live, work and visit.

We will know we have succeeded when:

- Visitor numbers increase

Built Environment – well maintained roads and infrastructure which reflects our identity.

Outcome 4.2 – our built infrastructure is well maintained, attractive and inviting:

- Our townscapes are attractive and well developed with consideration for current and future usage.

The Strategic Community Plan was developed in consultation with the community. Based on that plan, there is an obvious desire to increase tourism in the Shire. Council is elected to represent the community and it is not feasible to consult with the community on every decision. An information notice, nevertheless, will appear in the next edition of "The Bleat".

3. Why do you think a Free Camp in town is necessary when we have existing facilities at the Caravan Park?

There is a demographic of travellers who will not stay in a caravan park, regardless of accessibility. It is this demographic we wish to capture. It is proven that these travellers spend money in local economies, therefore benefiting local businesses such as those involved in, for example, hospitality, retail, and mechanical repairs.

6 PETITIONS, DEPUTATIONS, PRESENTATIONS, SUBMISSIONS

Nil

7 APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

8 DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

Cr Duncan South declared an impartiality interest in relation to a close relative putting an item into Public Question Time about the proposed RV Site in Darkan Townsite.

Cr Robyn Lubcke declared a proximity interest in relation to item 14.2 Wellington Special Control Area as an owner of farming property within the Wellington Special Control Area.

9 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS HELD

9.1 ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL 24 AUGUST 2023

Statutory Environment:

Section 5.22 of the *Local Government Act* provides that minutes of all meetings are to be kept and submitted to the next ordinary meeting of the council or the committee, as the case requires, for confirmation.

Voting Requirements:

Simple Majority

RESOLUTION CO-2023-097

Moved: Cr Robyn Lubcke
Seconded: Cr Graeme Peirce

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held in Council Chambers on 24 August 2023 be confirmed as true and correct.

In Favour: Crs Neil Morrell, Graeme Peirce, Karen Harrington, Robyn Lubcke, Neil Manuel, Duncan South and Adam Squires

Against: Nil

CARRIED 7/0

10 REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS

Cr Neil Morrell (Shire President)

Cr Morrell attended the WALGA State Convention and AGM.

Cr Graeme Peirce (Deputy Shire President)

Cr Peirce attended the Sandakan World War 2 Commemoration in Boyup Brook and the opening of the new Boardwalk at Lake Towerrinning.

Cr Karen Harrington

Cr Harrington attended the WALGA State Convention and AGM and also attended the Central Country Zone meeting on 25th August.

Cr Robyn Lubcke

Cr Lubcke attended the CRC Committee meeting on 13th September.

Cr Neil Manuel

Nil

Cr Duncan South

Nil

Cr Adam Squires

Nil

11 OFFICE OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**11.1 DARK SKY FRIENDLIER LED STREET LIGHT LUMINAIRE**

File Reference:	ADM107
Location:	N/A
Applicant:	Astrotourism WA
Author:	Sharon Bell, Community Development Officer
Authorising Officer:	Vin Fordham Lamont, Chief Executive Officer
Date:	1/09/2023
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Attachments:	1. Draft Letter of Support ↓ 2. Project Flyer ↓

SUMMARY:

Council is requested to consider providing its written support for the development of a dark sky and wildlife friendlier LED streetlight luminaire for Local Governments to be able to choose as an installation option from Western Australian power companies where appropriate.

BACKGROUND:

The Shire of West Arthur has been working with Astrotourism WA since 2019 on the development of Dark Sky Tourism for the region. Places of interest for Dark Sky Tourism visitors have been mapped out and dark sky measurements have been recorded. The Shire has also hosted numerous stargazing events that have engaged the local community on astronomy, light pollution and the development of Dark Sky Tourism for the local economy.

Carol Redford, CEO Astrotourism WA, has been progressing an initiative to secure a dark sky and wildlife friendlier LED streetlight luminaire for Local Governments. Meetings have been held with the WA Local Government Association (WALGA), Western Power, Horizon Power and recently the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions (DBCA).

Tristan Simpson, Senior Environmental Officer DBCA, has also engaged WALGA, Local Government, WA's power companies and lighting manufacturers in pursuit of the same initiative.

Western Power is responsible for the procurement and purchasing of streetlights for the State, including those for Horizon Power.

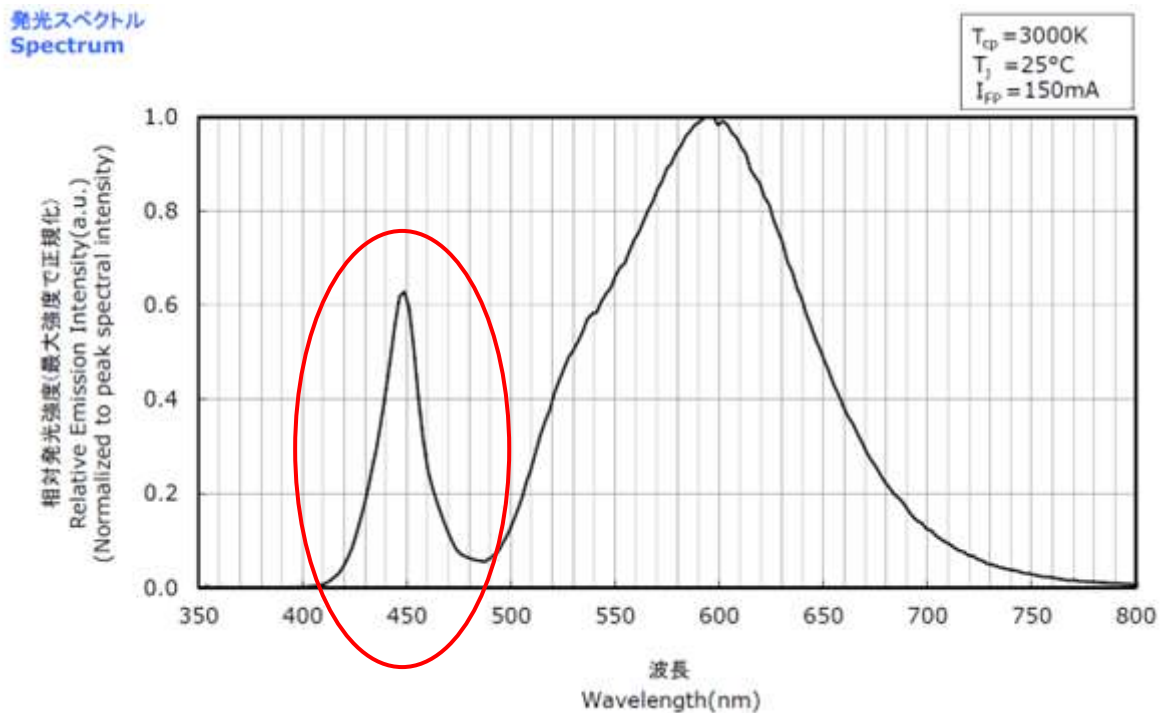
In some Western Australian communities, Western Power and Horizon Power are installing 3000K or 4000K LED streetlights. These LED streetlights have environmental benefits, including a reduced carbon footprint from lower energy usage and lower maintenance needs.

However, improvements can be made to the lighting design to reduce the impacts to the nighttime environment and nocturnal wildlife species. As outlined in the Australian National Light Pollution Guidelines for Wildlife, "Animals perceive light differently from humans, and artificial light can disrupt critical behaviour and cause physiological changes in wildlife. For example, hatchling marine turtles

may not be able to find the ocean when beaches are lit, and fledgling seabirds may not take their first flight if their nesting habitat never becomes dark.”

Improvements in streetlighting to reduce glare and correlated colour temperature will also lessen the impacts on human health. Current American Medical Association Policy supports efforts to reduce light pollution and states that “...pervasive use of nighttime lighting disrupts various biological processes, creating potentially harmful health effects related to disability glare and sleep disturbance.”

Below is the spectral power distribution curve based on a current 3000K streetlight model showing a blue light spike that is detrimental to many native and threatened species of wildlife and the dark night sky.



COMMENT:

DBCA and Astrotourism WA will propose to Western Power that an additional dark sky and wildlife friendlier LED streetlight luminaire option be added to the existing catalogue for selection to install by Local Governments.

DBCA has completed preliminary discussions with lighting designers and has identified that this initiative is feasible with negligible additional cost and tariffs and will be compatible with existing fittings and infrastructure. Additionally, it will be compliant with relevant Australian Standards, AS1158.1.2:2010 - Lighting for roads and public spaces. This initiative will have no impost on Local Governments.

Western Power has confirmed its provisional support for this initiative pending demonstrated and formal confirmation from a representative proportion of Western Australia’s Local Governments.

Upon enough support being obtained, DBCA and Astrotourism WA will collaborate with Western Power to procure a qualified lighting designer to progress. Once developed, the final luminaire product design(s), specifications and costs will be provided to Local Governments who have registered their formal support for feedback prior to progressing any further with Western Power.

Western Power will then include the additional choice of LED streetlight luminaire in their product catalogue as an option for Local Governments.

At this preliminary stage, DBCA and Astrotourism WA seek Shire of West Arthur support to demonstrate demand from Local Governments for a dark sky and wildlife friendlier LED streetlight luminaire.

CONSULTATION:

Astrotourism WA
CEO

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT:

Nil

POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

Nil

The cost of the design of a new dark sky and wildlife friendlier streetlight will be covered by DBCA. DBCA's preliminary discussions with lighting designers has identified that this initiative is feasible with negligible additional cost and tariffs to Local Government.

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS:

Shire of West Arthur Community Strategic Plan 2021-2031

Theme: Natural Environment – our natural assets are valued and meet the needs of the community.

Outcome 3.1: Maintain and improve our key natural assets

Strategy: Protect our night skies to ensure that they retain their dark sky rating.

Outcome 3.3: Our natural biodiversity is maintained and valued

Strategy: Protection of our unique flora and fauna.

RISK IMPLICATIONS:

Risk management is the removal of uncertainty from business decisions. Risk is expressed in terms of likelihood it may occur and the consequences that may flow from it. The consequences may be positive or negative or simply a deviation from the expected. The risk or consequence may be related to health and safety; financial; business or service interruption; compliance; reputation; or the environment. ***Reference to the risk matrix below will generate a risk rating by assessing the likelihood and consequence and multiplying these scores by each other.*** The greater the risk rating, the greater the risk and the higher the need for specific plans to be developed. All items with a risk rating greater than 10 should be added to the Risk Register and specific controls developed.

Risk Themes:

A risk theme is the categorising of risk. For example, the collection of risks that represent compliance failure. The risk themes in the shire Risk Register include:

- Business Disruption
- Community Disruption
- IT or Communications Failure
- External Threat or Fraud
- Misconduct
- Inadequate safety or security practices
- Inadequate project or change management
- Errors Omissions or Delays
- Inadequate Document Management Processes

- Inadequate supplier / contract management
- Providing inaccurate advice / information
- Ineffective Employment practices
- Compliance failure
- Inadequate asset management
- Inadequate engagement practices
- Ineffective facility or event management
- Inadequate environmental management

Risk Matrix:

Consequence Likelihood		Insignificant	Minor	Moderate	Significant	Severe
		1	2	3	4	5
Almost Certain	5	Medium (5)	High (10)	High (15)	Extreme (20)	Extreme (25)
Likely	4	Low (4)	Medium (8)	High (12)	High (16)	Extreme (20)
Possible	3	Low (3)	Medium (6)	Medium (9)	High (12)	High (15)
Unlikely	2	Low (2)	Low (4)	Medium (6)	Medium (8)	High (10)
Rare	1	Low (1)	Low (2)	Low (3)	Low (4)	Medium (5)

Description of Key Risk	Loss of reputation as Astrotourism destination
Risk Likelihood (based on history and with existing controls)	(3) Possible
Risk Consequence	(2) Minor
Risk Rating (Prior to Treatment or Control): Likelihood x Consequence	(6) Medium
Principal Risk Theme	Inadequate asset management
Risk Action Plan (Controls or Treatment Proposed)	Send letter of support as requested

VOTING REQUIREMENTS:

Simple Majority

RESOLUTION CO-2023-098

Moved: Cr Karen Harrington
 Seconded: Cr Duncan South

That Council authorise the CEO to sign and send the attached letter of support to Western Power to prove the demand for a dark sky and wildlife friendlier LED streetlight luminaire for Local Government.

In Favour: Crs Neil Morrell, Graeme Peirce, Karen Harrington, Robyn Lubcke, Neil Manuel, Duncan South and Adam Squires

Against: Nil

CARRIED 7/0

Your Ref:

Our Ref:

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Mr Chris Meneghello
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29 September 2023

Dear Chris,

RE: PROOF OF DEMAND AND SUPPORT FOR DARK SKY AND WILDLIFE FRIENDLIER LED STREETLIGHT LUMINAIRE

The Shire of West Arthur supports the development of a dark sky and wildlife friendlier LED streetlight luminaire to be accessible as an option for WA power corporations and local governments to install where appropriate. We confirm our demand for such an LED streetlight luminaire for installation within our jurisdiction.

We acknowledge that we will be given the opportunity to provide feedback on the final luminaire product design(s), specifications and costs, which will ensure compatibility with existing fittings, infrastructure, and tariffs and adherence to Australian Standards. Any variance will be clearly communicated.

We confirm the Shire of West Arthur's intent to choose such a developed dark sky and wildlife friendlier LED streetlight luminaire that meets these criteria.

Yours sincerely,

Vin Fordham Lamont
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Cc Tristan Simpson, Department of Biodiversity and Conservation Management,
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Carol Redford, Astrotourism WA
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CORRESPONDENCE TO BE ADDRESSED TO THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER





**Marine Turtles
Western Australia**

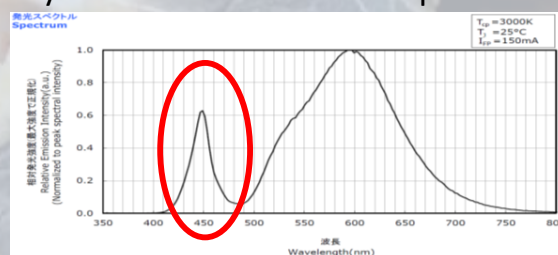
North West Shelf Flatback Turtle
Conservation Program

Seeking Formal Support of Local Governments

For the development of a dark sky and wildlife friendlier LED streetlight luminaire for Local Governments to be able to choose as an installation option from Western Australian power companies where appropriate.

Background:

- Western Power is responsible for the procurement and purchasing of streetlights for the State, including those for Horizon Power.
- In some Western Australian communities, Western Power and Horizon Power are installing 3000K or 4000K LED streetlights.
- These LED streetlights have environmental benefits, including a reduced carbon footprint from lower energy usage and lower maintenance needs.
- However, improvements can be made to the lighting design to reduce the impacts to the nighttime environment and wildlife. Below is the spectral power distribution curve on a current 3000K streetlight showing a blue light spike that is detrimental to many native and threatened species and the dark night sky.*



- DBCA and Astrotourism WA will propose to Western Power that an additional dark sky and wildlife friendlier LED streetlight luminaire option be added to the existing catalogue for selection to install by Local Governments.

Comments:

- Western Power has confirmed its provisional support for this initiative pending demonstrated and formal confirmation from a representative proportion of Western Australia’s Local Governments.

* Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water, 2023, National Light Pollution Guidelines for Wildlife, Commonwealth of Australia, accessed 10 August 2023

(<https://www.dcceew.gov.au/sites/default/files/documents/national-light-pollution-guidelines-wildlife.pdf>)



Marine Turtles Western Australia

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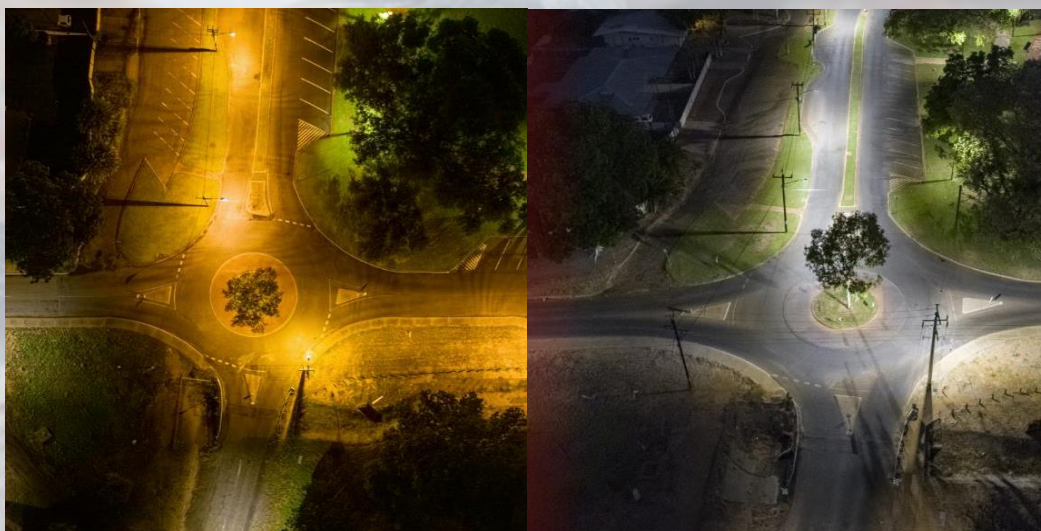
- Upon enough support being obtained, DBCA and Astrotourism WA will collaborate with Western Power to procure a qualified lighting designer to progress. Once developed, the final luminaire product design(s), specifications and costs will be shared with Local Governments who have registered their formal support for feedback prior to progressing any further with Western Power.

Financial Implications:

Nil. DBCA has completed preliminary discussions with lighting designers and has identified that this initiative is feasible with negligible additional cost and tariffs. The cost of the design of a new dark sky and wildlife friendlier streetlight will be covered by DBCA.

Request:

This initiative can be supported by providing a letter indicating confirmation your demand for such an LED streetlight luminaire for installation within your jurisdiction. A template letter of support is provided.



For further information:

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Carol Redford, Astrotourism WA – carol@astrotourismwa.com.au or 0427 554 035

11.2 DELEGATION AMENDMENT - PAYMENTS FROM THE MUNICIPAL OR TRUST FUNDS

File Reference:	ADM058
Location:	N/A
Applicant:	N/A
Author:	Renee Schinzig, Administration Officer
Authorising Officer:	Vin Fordham Lamont, Chief Executive Officer
Date:	1/09/2023
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Attachments:	1. Delegation - Payments from the Municipal or Trust Funds ↓

SUMMARY:

Council is requested to consider approving the proposed amendment to the existing Delegation – Payments from the Municipal or Trust Funds.

BACKGROUND:

Section 5.42 of the *Local Government Act 1995* provides for a local government to delegate to the CEO the exercise of any of its powers or the discharge of any of its duties under —

- a) this Act other than those referred to in section 5.43; or
- b) the *Planning and Development Act 2005* section 214(2), (3) or (5).

The application of delegated authority is intended to improve the efficiency, effectiveness and timeliness of decision making and is consistent with the Shire's Strategic Community Plan and commitment to a strong customer service focus.

The use of delegated and sub delegated authority does not 'undermine' the roles and responsibilities of elected members constituting the Council as the peak local decision-making body of the community. Rather it should free up the Council from some matters to better able to deal with high level strategic matters and in the knowledge that decision making on the former will be made by employees consistent with Council Policy and precedents.

COMMENT:

The Delegations Register was accepted at the April 2023 Ordinary Meeting of Council.

Upon further review and discussion it was found that the Manager of Financial Reporting wasn't included as a Sub Delegate in the Delegation for Payments from the Municipal or Trust Funds.

The delegation of certain decision-making powers will expedite the processing of transactions.

Council should review and accept the amendments made in the attachment.

CONSULTATION:

Chief Executive Officer
Manager Financial Reporting

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT:

Local Government Act 1995

- s.5.42 Delegation of some powers or duties to the CEO
- s.5.43 Limitations on delegations to the CEO
- s.5.44 CEO may delegate some powers and duties to other employees

Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996:

- r.12(1)(a) Payments from municipal fund or trust fund, restrictions on making

POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

Nil

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS:

West Arthur Towards 2031

Theme: Leadership and Management

Outcome: Establish and maintain sound business and governance structures

Strategy: Comply with regulations and best practice standards to drive good decision making by Council and Staff

RISK IMPLICATIONS:

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Description of Key Risk	Deadlines being missed through lack of sub-delegations from the CEO for simple matters
Risk Likelihood (based on history and with existing controls)	(3) Possible
Risk Consequence	(3) Moderate
Risk Rating (Prior to Treatment or Control): Likelihood x Consequence	(9) Medium
Principal Risk Theme	Errors, Omissions or Delays
Risk Action Plan (Controls or Treatment Proposed)	Endorse updated Delegations Register and apply appropriate delegations

VOTING REQUIREMENTS:

Absolute Majority

RESOLUTION CO-2023-099

Moved: Cr Adam Squires

Seconded: Cr Robyn Lubcke

That Council note and accept the amendment to the Delegation for Payments from the Municipal or Trust Funds.

In Favour: Crs Neil Morrell, Graeme Peirce, Karen Harrington, Robyn Lubcke, Neil Manuel, Duncan South and Adam Squires

Against: Nil

CARRIED 7/0 BY ABSOLUTE MAJORITY

Delegation Title:	2.11 Payments from the Municipal or Trust Funds
Express Power to Delegate:	<p><i>Local Government Act 1995:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> s.5.42 Delegation of some powers or duties to the CEO s.5.43 Limitations on delegations to the CEO
Express Power or Duty Delegated:	<p><i>Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> r.12(1)(a) Payments from municipal fund or trust fund, restrictions on making
Delegate:	Chief Executive Officer
<p>Function:</p> <p><i>This is a precis only.</i></p> <p><i>Delegates must act with full understanding of the legislation and conditions relevant to this delegation.</i></p>	<p>The Chief Executive Officer is delegated authority to make payments from the municipal or trust funds and to establish systems and procedures which give effect to internal controls and risk mitigation for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collection of money owed to the Shire; • Safe custody and security of money collected or held by the Shire; • Maintenance and security of all financial records, including payroll, stock control and costing records; • Proper accounting of the Municipal and Trust Funds, including revenue, expenses and assets and liabilities; • Proper authorisation of employees for incurring liabilities, including authority for initiating Requisition Orders, Purchase Orders and use of Credit and Transaction Cards; • Payments from the Shire’s Municipal Fund or Trust Fund in accordance with r12 of the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996. This includes the authority to make payments of accounts and salaries and wages, payroll deductions and other obligations by cheque or Electronic Funds Transfer. • Preparation of budgets, budget reviews, accounts and reports as required by legislation or operational requirements.
Council Conditions on this Delegation:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Must comply with relevant policies 2. Subject to the requirements of r.5,11,12 and 13 of the <i>Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996</i>. 3. All payments from the Municipal Fund or Trust Fund are to be authorised and signed in accordance with the Council’s policies and the Shire’s approved work procedures. Authority to the Chief Executive Officer is unlimited subject to annual budget limitations. 4. Payment authorisation via internet banking or cheque payment requires a combination of two signatories one of which must include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • one or both of the Chief Executive Officer, Manager Corporate Services, and/or • Manager Financial Reporting; or • Manager Works and Services.

	<p>5. Each payment from the Municipal Fund or the Trust Fund is to be noted on a list compiled for each month which is to be presented to the next available ordinary meeting of the Council.</p> <p>6. Procedures are to be systematically documented and retained in accordance with the Recordkeeping Plan and must include references that enable recognition of statutory requirements and assign responsibility for actions to position titles.</p>
<p>Express Power to Sub-Delegate:</p>	<p><i>Local Government Act 1995:</i> s.5.44 CEO may delegate some powers and duties to other employees</p>
<p>Sub-Delegate/s: <i>Appointed by CEO</i></p>	<p>Manager Corporate Services Manager Financial Reporting Manager Works and Services</p>

<p><i>Compliance Links:</i></p>	<p><i>Delegates are designated employees under s.5.74 and are required to provide Primary and Annual Returns.</i></p> <p><i>Local Government Act 1995</i></p> <p><i>Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996 - refer specifically r.13 Payments from municipal fund or trust fund by CEO, CEO's duties as to etc.</i></p> <p><i>Local Government (Audit) Regulations 1996</i></p> <p><i>Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries Operational Guideline No.11 – Use of Corporate Credit Cards</i></p>
<p><i>Record Keeping:</i></p>	<p><i>In accordance with r19 Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996</i></p>

<p>CEO Conditions on this Sub-Delegation:</p> <p><i>Conditions on the original delegation also apply to the sub-delegations.</i></p>	<p>Delegates must comply with the Procedures approved by the CEO in accordance with Financial Management Regulation 5.</p>
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Version Control:

11.3 LOCAL HEALTH PLAN

File Reference:	ADM362
Location:	NA
Applicant:	NA
Author:	Sharon Bell, Community Development Officer
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Attachments:	1. Shire of West Arthur Public Health Plan ↓

SUMMARY:

Council is requested to consider the adoption of the Shire of West Arthur Public Health Plan.

BACKGROUND:

The WA State Government introduced the *Public Health Act 2016* for Western Australia which requires Local Governments to develop local public health plans. A Public Health Plan is a comprehensive set of proposed activities that informs the way in which public health is managed within a local government.

Council policy and legislative responsibilities should be a primary focus of a Public Health Plan, and it is not realistic to expect local governments to cease addressing public health risks such as noise, the keeping of animals or food safety.

In general terms, a Public Health Plan should identify the health and wellbeing needs of the community and establish priorities and strategies for a three-to-five-year period. It should provide a framework for an integrated and collaborative approach that will support the community's ability to lead healthy, productive and rewarding lives.

COMMENT:

The *Public Health Act 2016* acknowledges that local government needs effective and flexible mechanisms to undertake its role and to respond to community needs. It recognises that local government is the tier of government closest to the community and is a key advocate and protector of public health in the community.

The Act aims to establish a productive health and well-being planning process that fits into existing planning frameworks and strategies within local government and that can support a wider local vision for healthy communities, while not imposing unproductive burdens or duplication.

A Public Health Plan is not an Environmental Health Plan or a Community Engagement Plan or a Social Plan. It can add value to existing documents, and recognise existing Plans and priorities within the Council, but also integrate a social model of health by addressing social, environmental, political, economic and behavioural factors that impact on people's health and wellbeing. The aim of the Plan is to identify these factors and risks and develop objectives and strategies that will intervene to change those aspects of the environment or lifestyle factors that affect the community's health.

CONSULTATION:

WA Country Health Service
SoWA Staff and Councillors
Health Professionals
Community Members

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT:

Public Health Act 2016

Division 2 — Functions of local governments

16. Functions of local governments

A local government has the following functions in relation to the administration of this Act —

- a) to initiate, support and manage public health planning for its local government district;
- b) to develop and implement policies and programmes to achieve the objects of this Act within its local government district;
- c) to perform the functions that are conferred on local governments by or under this Act.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

Development of Health Policies

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

Nil

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS:

West Arthur Towards 2031

Theme: Community

Outcome: A safe place to work, live and visit

Strategy: Communication of risks and hazards to the community and assistance with management of these.

Outcome: Support available for people of all ages and abilities

Strategy: Maintain and support the growth of medical facilities, childcare and aged services in the district.

Strategy: Provide services and infrastructure to meet the needs of the community.

Theme: Leadership and Management – inspirational, dynamic, transparent

Outcome: Actively engage with community, business and other stakeholders to grow and develop the community.

Strategy: Council will advocate on behalf of the community on issues that the community identifies as important.

RISK IMPLICATIONS:

Risk management is the removal of uncertainty from business decisions. Risk is expressed in terms of likelihood it may occur and the consequences that may flow from it. The consequences may be positive or negative or simply a deviation from the expected. The risk or consequence may be related to health and safety; financial; business or service interruption; compliance; reputation; or the environment. ***Reference to the risk matrix below will generate a risk rating by assessing the likelihood and consequence and multiplying these scores by each other.*** The greater the risk rating, the greater the risk and the higher the need for specific plans to be developed. All items with a risk rating greater than 10 should be added to the Risk Register and specific controls developed.

Risk Themes:

A risk theme is the categorising of risk. For example, the collection of risks that represent compliance failure. The risk themes in the shire Risk Register include:

- Business Disruption
- Community Disruption

- IT or Communications Failure
- External Threat or Fraud
- Misconduct
- Inadequate safety or security practices
- Inadequate project or change management
- Errors Omissions or Delays
- Inadequate Document Management Processes
- Inadequate supplier / contract management
- Providing inaccurate advice / information
- Ineffective Employment practices
- Compliance failure
- Inadequate asset management
- Inadequate engagement practices
- Ineffective facility or event management
- Inadequate environmental management

Risk Matrix:

Consequence Likelihood		Insignificant	Minor	Moderate	Significant	Severe
		1	2	3	4	5
Almost Certain	5	Medium (5)	High (10)	High (15)	Extreme (20)	Extreme (25)
Likely	4	Low (4)	Medium (8)	High (12)	High (16)	Extreme (20)
Possible	3	Low (3)	Medium (6)	Medium (9)	High (12)	High (15)
Unlikely	2	Low (2)	Low (4)	Medium (6)	Medium (8)	High (10)
Rare	1	Low (1)	Low (2)	Low (3)	Low (4)	Medium (5)

Description of Key Risk	Non-compliance with State Legislation
Risk Likelihood (based on history and with existing controls)	Possible (3)
Risk Consequence	Moderate (3)
Risk Rating (Prior to Treatment or Control): Likelihood x Consequence	Medium (9)
Principal Risk Theme	Compliance Failure
Risk Action Plan (Controls or Treatment Proposed)	Endorse Public Health Plan

VOTING REQUIREMENTS:

Simple Majority

RESOLUTION CO-2023-100

Moved: Cr Adam Squires

Seconded: Cr Neil Manuel

That Council adopt the Public Health Plan as presented.

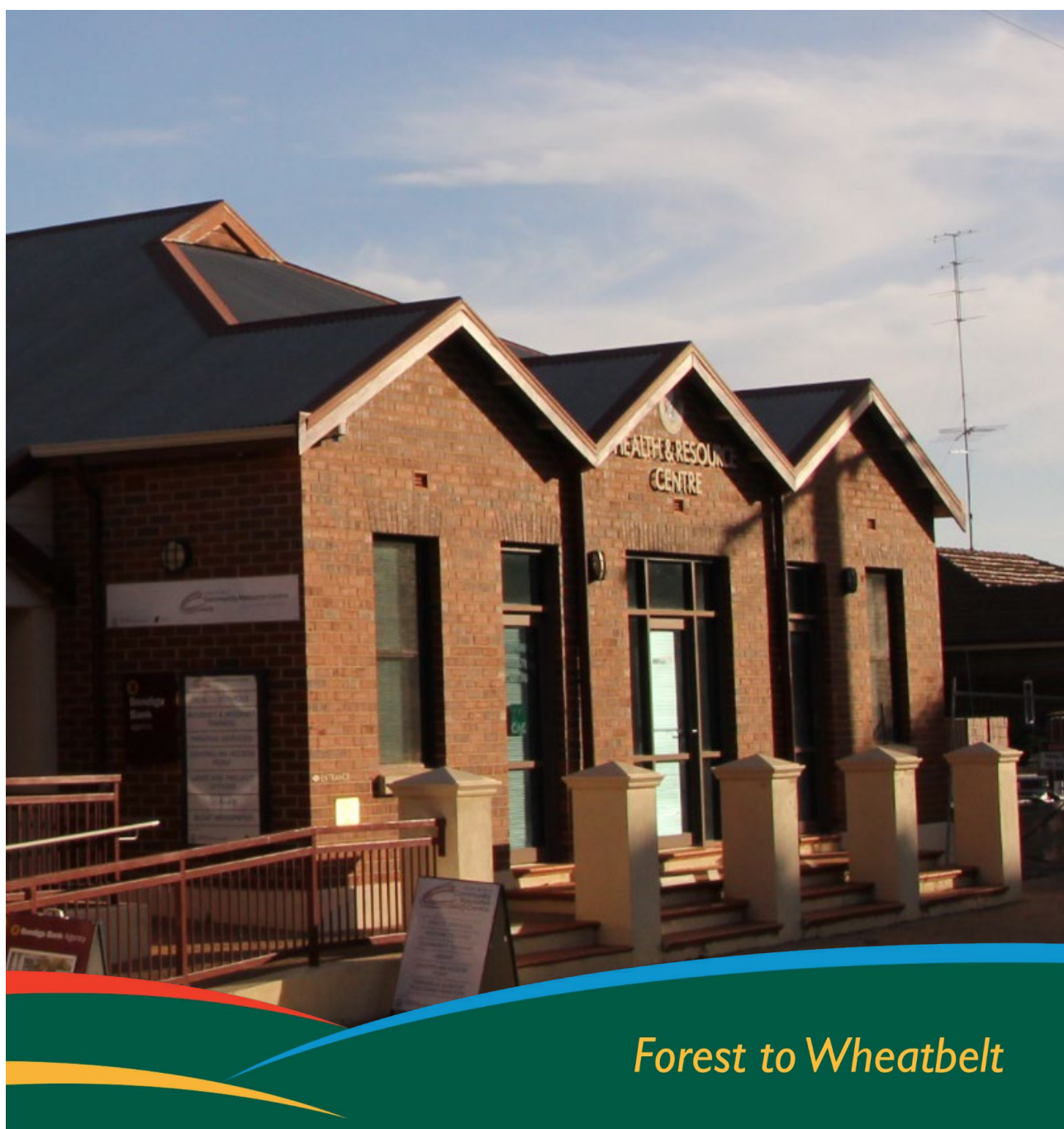
In Favour: Crs Neil Morrell, Graeme Peirce, Karen Harrington, Robyn Lubcke, Neil Manuel, Duncan South and Adam Squires

Against: Nil

CARRIED 7/0

Shire of West Arthur Public Health Plan

September 2023



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Acknowledgement of Country

The Shire of West Arthur respectfully acknowledges that the land upon which we work and live, is the traditional land of the Wilman and Kaneang Noongar peoples. We recognise their cultural heritage, beliefs, and continuing relationship with the land. We honour Elders past, present and emerging and we support the principles of a reconciled Australia for all its people.



About the Document

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Message from the Shire President and Chief Executive Officer

Welcome to the Shire of West Arthur’s Public Health Plan 2023-2028. This plan is designed to be both a standalone plan and one that influences the periodic revisions of the Shire of West Arthur Community Strategic Plan – Towards 2031 and the Corporate Business Plan 2021-2025.

The development of the Public Health Plan has been a process of research and community consultation. The Plan will assist the community of West Arthur in being and continuing to be a place where cultural, economic and social benefits promote the quality of life necessary to maintain a healthy lifestyle and environment. The Plan will guide the community along a pathway of health and wellbeing.

Actions within this plan have been purposely aligned with State public health priorities, guiding us to enhance the health, wellbeing, and quality of life for the Shire of West Arthur community. Incorporating the outcomes and strategies of the State Public Health Plan 2019-2024 into this document ensures that the Plan will remain relevant to the community’s needs.

This five-year plan supports the goals contained within the Shire of West Arthur Community Strategic Plan, which have been consolidated into three Public Health Priorities, to reflect the main priorities of the community:

- Supported community;
- Sustainable (natural and built) environment; and
- Strong economy and services for everyone.

We would like you to enjoy reading this plan as we look forward to working collaboratively with the community to continuously improve the public health outcomes in the future.

Neil Morrell

**Shire President
2023**

Vin Fordham Lamont

**Chief Executive Officer
2023**



Executive Summary

The State Public Health Plan is a stand-alone plan. Each Local Government Authority is required to create its own Public Health Plan, which in turn is to be incorporated into the Council’s Community Strategic Plan. The Community Strategic Plan connects with Council’s Business Plan which is funded by each Local Government Authority through its revenue stream.

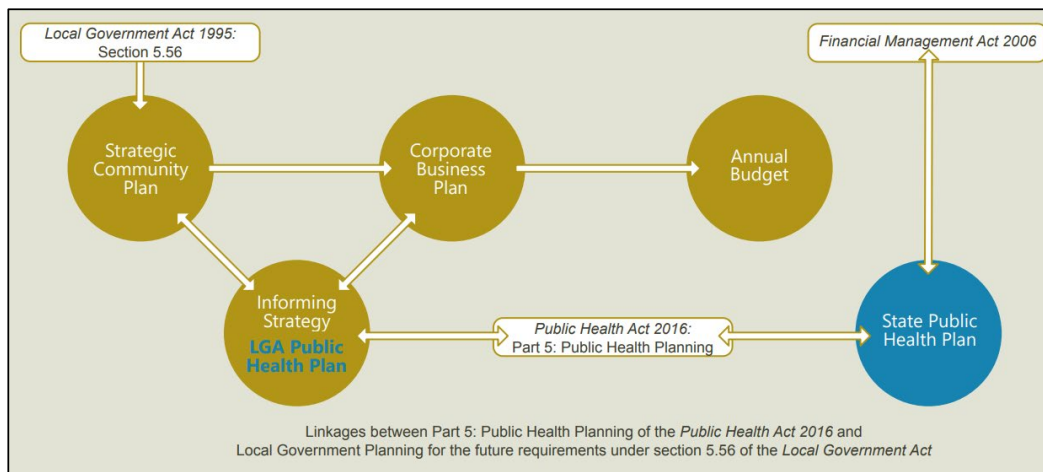


Figure 1: Integrated Planning

The purpose of the Shire of West Arthur Public Health Plan (the Plan) is to improve, promote and protect the public health and wellbeing for all residents in the Shire of West Arthur. It is the intent of the Plan to support all members of the community to enable good health and wellbeing.

The Plan focuses on what the Shire can achieve within its functions and capacity to enhance public health, while recognising that many factors influence health and wellbeing, including those that occur within the social, built, economic and natural environments.

The Shire of West Arthur is committed to implementing a range of initiatives that will contribute to the health and wellbeing of community members. This will include working with key stakeholders, including health, community, education and government organisations.

The methodology used in this Plan included identifying existing public health priorities within the Shire, identifying community needs and aspirations, involvement of key stakeholders to identify local public health risks and the integration of local health data.

Through this process, a list of five priority health issues were identified:

- Drug and alcohol abuse;
- Mental health;
- Access to fresh food and nutrition;
- Environmental health protection; and
- A more active lifestyle.

It is expected that the implementation of the Plan will occur through:

- The implementation of actions identified in the Plan; and

- The development and implementation of a range of actions that reflect the policy directions and community issues identified.

Our Current Health Role

The Shire of West Arthur supports the promotion of Public Health outcomes throughout its community.

These may be explained in more detail in the core business described here:

- Infrastructure and property services including provision of local roads, footpaths, drainage, waste collection and management.
- Environmental Health Services to prevent and control environmental health hazards, emissions, communicable disease, and vector-borne disease. To prevent and reduce the incidence of alcohol, other drug and tobacco health impacts, noise and air pollution, and to maintain water and food quality.
- Cultural facilities and services, such as libraries and places of historical importance which encourage community participation.
- Provision of recreational facilities such as parks, oval, golf course, swimming pool and recreation centre.
- Building services, planning and development control including inspections, licencing, certification, and enforcement.
- Administration of facilities such as cemetery, caravan park, and provision of waste management.
- Local Government Health Law Enforcement, Ranger and Emergency Services.
- Community Services such as provision of doctor, surgery, and chiropractor.



Figure 2: WHO's Ten Social Determinants for Public Health and Wellbeing

Key Areas

The Plan aims to identify the health and wellbeing needs of the community and establish priorities and strategies for a five year period with a focus on the following key areas:

Healthy People and Community

To guide and encourage the community to lead healthier lifestyles through the provision of lifestyle and educational opportunities.

Healthy Places and Spaces

To provide healthy places and spaces to encourage and support healthy lifestyle opportunities.

Healthy Partnerships

To develop collaborative partnerships with community, business, government, non-government and key stakeholders to improve health and wellbeing.

State Priority Objectives

This Plan references the State Public Health Plan Priority Objectives, represented below.

Empowering & enabling people to live healthy lives	Providing health protection for the community	Improving Aboriginal health & wellbeing
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Healthy eating 2. A more active WA 3. Curb the rise in overweight and obesity 4. Make smoking history 5. Reduce harmful alcohol use 6. Reduce use of illicit drugs, misuse of pharmaceuticals and other drugs of concern 7. Optimise mental health and wellbeing 8. Prevent injuries and promote safer communities 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Reduce exposure to environmental health concerns 2. Administer public health legislation 3. Mitigate the impacts of public health emergencies 4. Support immunisation 5. Prevention and control of communicative diseases 6. Promote oral health improvement 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Promote culturally secure initiatives and services 2. Enhance partnership with the Aboriginal community 3. Continue to develop and promote Aboriginal controlled services 4. Ensure programs and services are accessible and equitable 5. Promote Aboriginal health and wellbeing as core business for all stakeholders

Table1: WA State Priority Objectives

Background

The World Health Organization (WHO) in 2016, defined health as “a state of complete physical, mental and social well-being and not merely the absence of disease or infirmity”. In functional terms, health is a resource which permits people to lead an individually, socially, and economically profitable life.

Social commentator, researcher and writer on health and wellbeing, Richard Eckersley, describes community wellbeing in his book “Measuring Progress: Is Life Getting Better?” as the condition or state of being well, contented and satisfied with life. He describes wellbeing as having several components, including physical, mental, social, and spiritual. Wellbeing can be used in a collective sense, to describe how well a society satisfies people’s wants and needs.

For this Plan, health and wellbeing refers to a state of physical, mental, and social wellbeing, where individuals feel connected to their community and satisfied with their overall quality of life. Quality of life refers to the general wellbeing of a person or society, defined in terms of health and happiness rather than wealth.

An individual’s health and wellbeing are impacted by several factors often outside of their control which fall into the social, economic, built and natural environments in which people live, work and play.

From a community perspective, positive levels of health and wellbeing can contribute to the level of social interaction and the vitality of a community. For example, it enables participation in sports, volunteering, arts, culture, and other activities that connect the community. Of course, these activities also contribute to positive health and wellbeing. By contrast, poor health and wellbeing reduces this participation and brings with it the high costs of medical care and other community services.

A healthy community can be defined as one where people living within it come together to make life better for themselves and one another. One which connects people and resources, encourages communication, embraces diversity, fosters a sense of community, and shapes its future.



Shire of West Arthur Health Profile

Shire Profile

The Shire of West Arthur is located in the southern wheatbelt region of Western Australia and is nestled between the forests of the southwest and the wheatbelt. It is also part of the broader Gnaala Karla Booja region, including both Wilman and Kaneang peoples.

The Shire was first explored by Europeans in late 1830, with settlement in the 1850s at Arthur River. The town of Darkan was established in 1907, and with the establishment of the railway line from Collie, new prosperity came to the Shire.

The Shire is situated 204km south of Perth and 115km east of Bunbury. Darkan is the main town and administrative centre with several smaller localities and settlements scattered throughout the Shire. The western side of the Shire is typified by bush and forest, and the eastern side predominantly broad acre farming with less than 5% remnant bush.

At 2580km² it is one of the larger shires in the area and borders the Shires of Collie, Williams, Narrogin, Wagin, Woodanilling, Kojonup and Boyup Brook. Peaking in 1966 at 1427, the population of the Shire of West Arthur steadily decreased and is currently 773 (2021 Census), with females making up 46.8% of the population and males 53.2%.

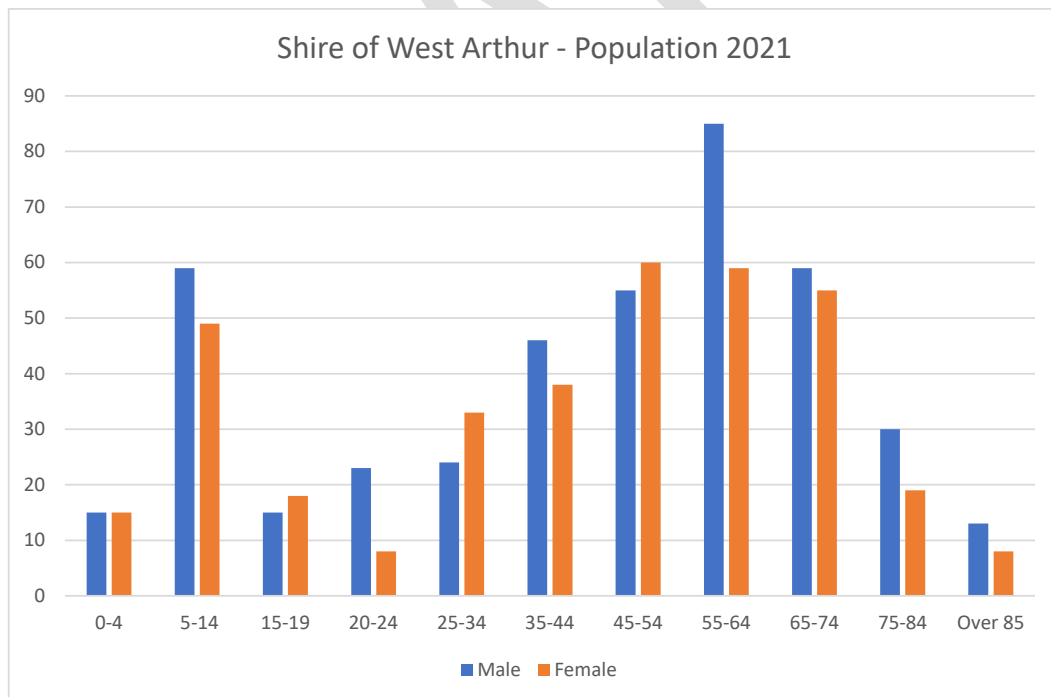


Figure 1: SoWA Population 2021

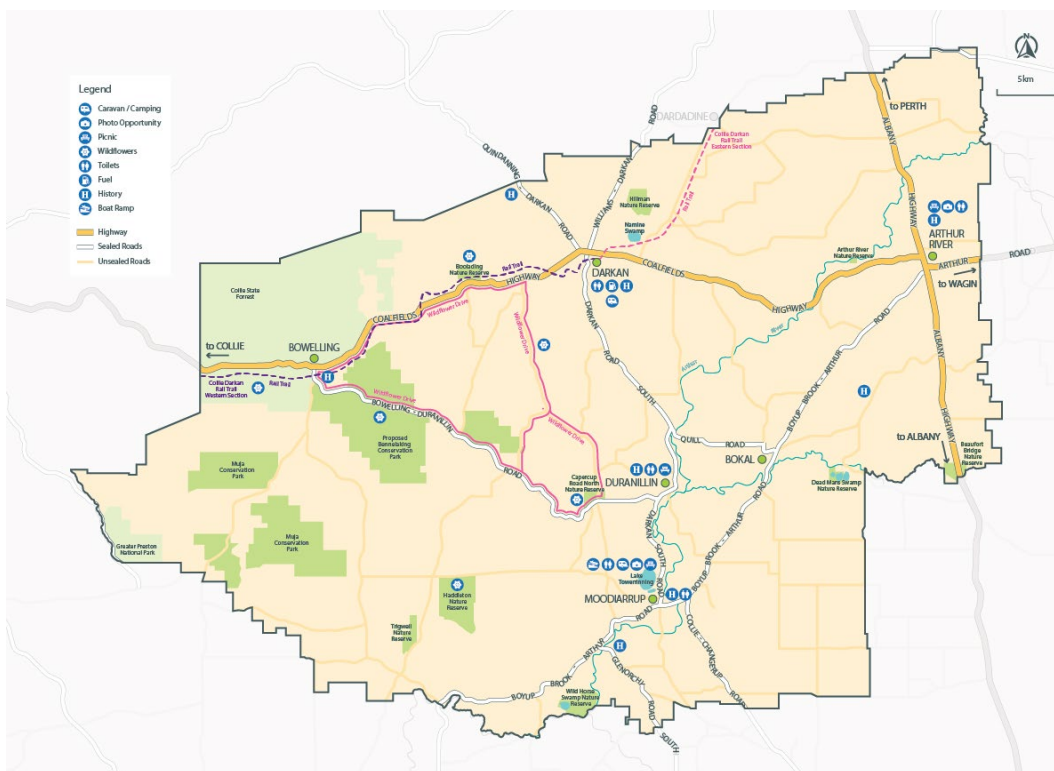


Figure 2: Shire of West Arthur Map

Health and Wellbeing

Health is impacted by a number of factors, often outside the control of the individual. These factors are referred to as the social determinants of health and include socio-economic status, employment, income, education, housing, social support, access to health care, drug addiction, transport, food security and community safety.

From a community perspective, the health and wellbeing of the population contributes to social interaction and the vitality of the community. For example, it enables participation in sports, volunteering, arts, culture and other activities that bring the community together. By contrast, poor health and wellbeing reduces this participation and brings with it the high costs of medical care and other community services.

The Rural Health West publication – Outreach in the Outback – Wheatbelt – population and health snapshot, has identified specific areas of public health, including Population forecasts, Measure of disadvantage, Major Health Services, Maternal Health, Child and adolescent health, Adult health, eye health, ear health, mental health, hospitalisations and mortality.

Socio-Economic Profile

There are several measures that can be used to evaluate the socio-economic status of residents. One is the weekly income.

The average weekly income across Australia in August 2022 was \$1,250, an increase of \$50 (4.2%) since August 2021. Figures for West Arthur are shown below.

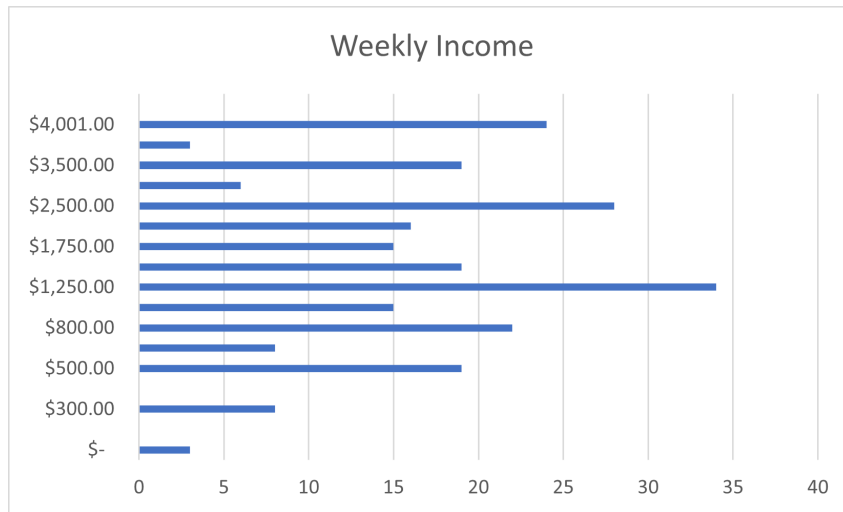


Figure 3: SoWA Weekly Income

Data from Services Australia show that in 2020 there were 136 people in the Shire that received some form of assistance, with 70 people receiving an Age Pension, 26 receiving a Disability Support Pension, 22 on Jobseeker and 18 on carer or parenting allowances. All pensions and allowances are means tested.

Indigenous populations have been consistently shown to have an overall lower socio-economic status. In the 2021 Census, data shows that 3.5% of the Shire population identified as being indigenous; however, this figure could be higher as 13% of the population did not state their indigenous status.

The Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) also analyses statistics from various aspects of the census, along with other data to develop Socio-Economic Indexes for Areas (SEIFA). The ABS broadly defines relative socio-economic advantage and disadvantage in terms of people’s access to material and social resources, and their ability to participate in society. A lower score for a Statistical Area Level 1 (SA1) indicates that an area is relatively disadvantaged compared to an area with a higher score. However, it is important to remember that the scores are a ranked measure, so care should be taken when comparing scores.

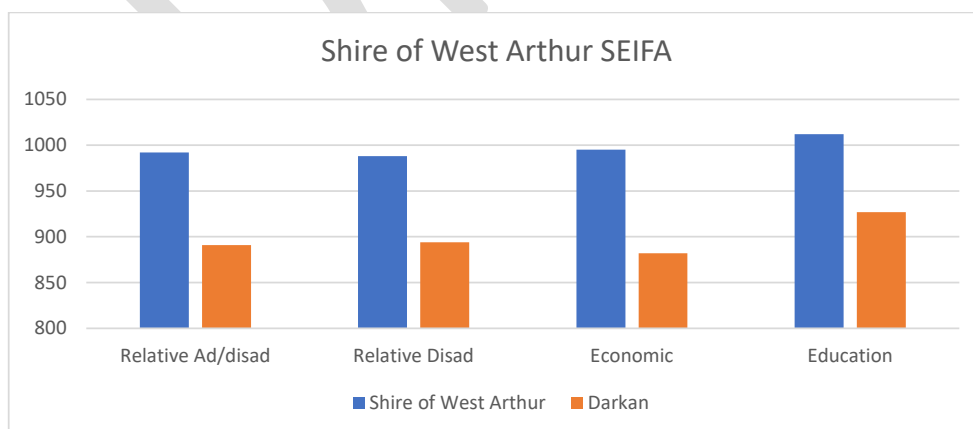


Figure 4: SOWA SEIFA Data

The four indexes of SEIFA each capture a slightly different concept of socio-economic advantage and disadvantage.

It is therefore important to clarify what is meant by relative socio-economic advantage and disadvantage, as this is the concept SEIFA aims to summarise from the numerous Census variables available for analysis.

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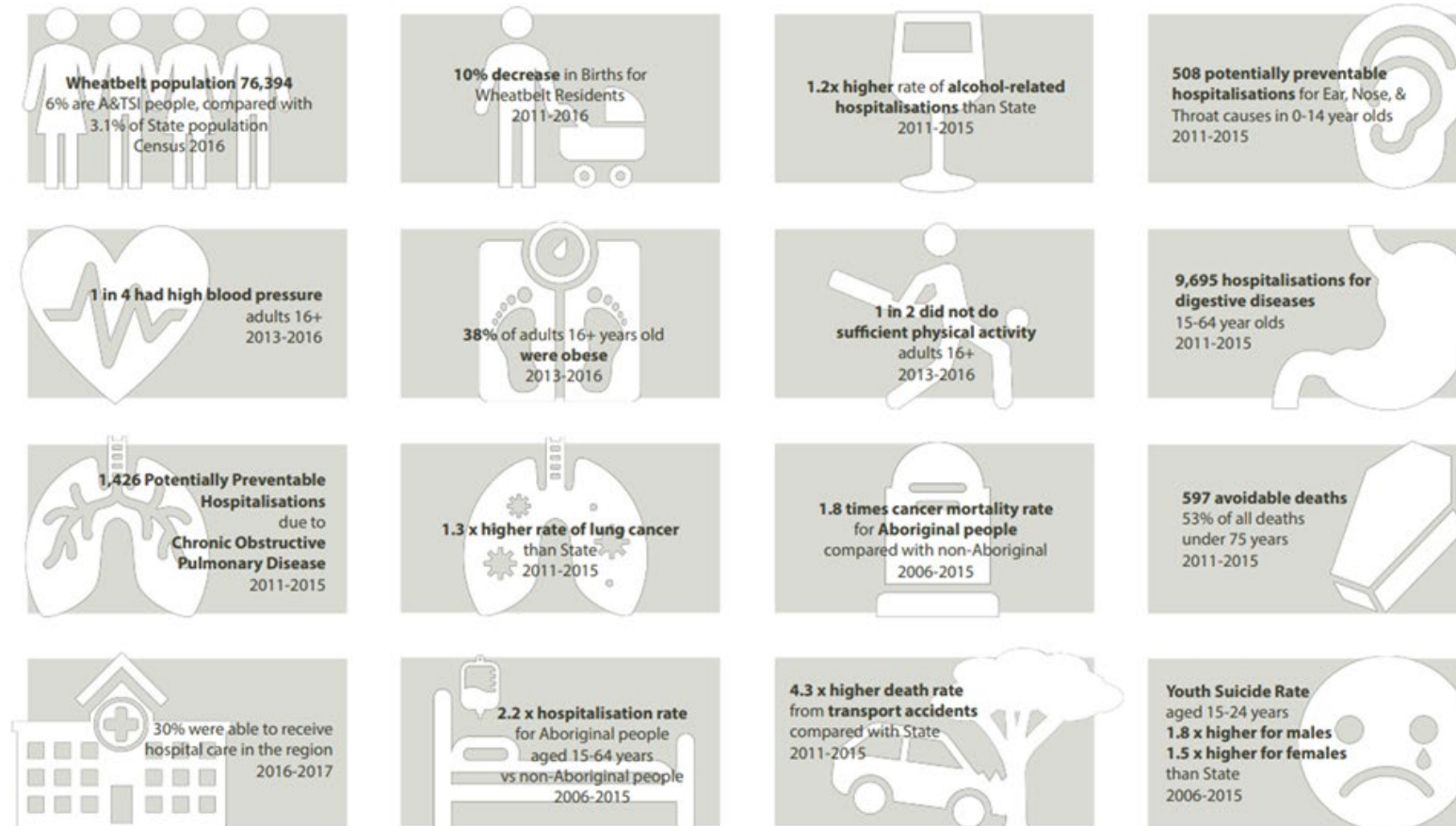
The Index of Relative Disadvantage identifies and ranks areas in terms of their relative socio-economic disadvantage. The Index of Relative Advantage and Disadvantage broadly measures both advantage and disadvantage, while the Index of Education and Occupation and the Index of Economic Resources both measure particular aspects of socio-economic advantage and disadvantage.

It is important to note that while the Shire overall rating is in the 4th quintile, the town of Darkan's overall rating is in the 1st quintile, putting it in the most disadvantaged category. Potentially, this could be because of the number of aged people living in the community.

SEIFA scores do not measure accumulated wealth, infrastructure, transport, and differences in cost of living. When used in the rural context these issues need to be considered.



Snapshot of the Health of the Wheatbelt



*Western Australian Country Health Services

**Compared with the WA State average

The People of West Arthur Have Their Say

The Shire of West Arthur consulted with the community by a survey process using social media, the Shire website and local newsletter 'The Bleat'. This method was successful, attracting a number of respondents.

Over 59% of respondents were from Darkan, with the remainder from the surrounding rural areas. Ages of the respondents were from 18 up to 75+, with the largest cohort (40.9%) being in the 55-64 age bracket. Just over 77% of respondents were female. No respondents identified as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander.

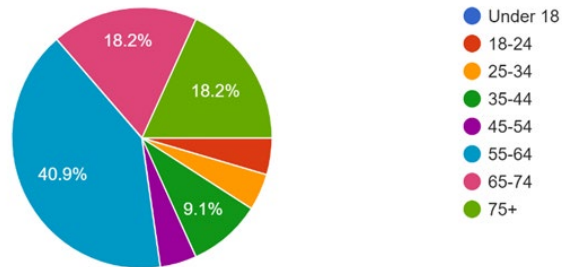


Figure 5: Respondents percentage

Health and Social Issues

Top health concerns	Top mental & social health concerns	Top health programs requested	Access to healthy food
Use of illegal drugs (63.6%)	Depression (63.6%)	Routine health screenings (85.7%)	Healthier foods available locally (68.2%)
Not enough exercise (45.5%)	Anxiety (50%)	Mental wellbeing programs (76.2%)	Healthier takeaway food options (50%)
Alcohol and tobacco/cigarette smoking equal at 36.4%	Loneliness (45.5%)	Safety and security (23.8%)	Healthy options at community events and sporting events were equal (36.4%)

Table 2: Health and Social Issues

Drug addiction (40.9%) was also a major concern to the community.

Community members suggested programs to reduce alcohol and drug abuse, as well as group fitness exercises as ways to improve the overall health of the community.

Interest was shown for healthy cooking classes, as well as sessions on how to read food labels.

Volunteering

All respondents identified as being volunteers across a wide range of sectors. The top three are:

- Community groups and services (59.1%)

- Sporting (54.5%)
- Public event operations (36.4%)

Other sectors that ranked highly were aged citizens, environmental and arts and culture. It is important to note that very few respondents only volunteered in one sector, most are volunteering in at least three different sectors.

Sports and Recreation Facilities

Most popular recreation facilities	Top facilities for good community health	Top programs to help the community be more active
Darkan Recreation Centre (59.1%)	Recreation facilities (72.7%)	More recreational community activities and events (66.7%)
Lake Towerrinning (45.5%)	Safe roads and parks and public open spaces equal at 68.2%	Free fitness classes (50%)
Collie-Darkan Rail Trail and Darkan Swimming Pool equal at 40.9%	Disability access to buildings and recreation facilities (45.5%)	Public exercise equipment (44.4%)

Table 3: Sports and Recreations Facilities

Darkan Golf Course, the Community Gym and Tennis also ranked highly in the most popular recreation facilities. Access to affordable housing was also a priority (40.9%) in the top facilities for good community health.

Both the fitness classes and public exercise equipment are available in Darkan; however, the fitness classes are only available to those aged over 55 (seniors).

COVID-19

COVID-19 proved to be a major concern for the community:

- 61.9% concerned about ongoing health issues,
- Future health problems 33.3%,
- Future finances 14.3%.

There is a percentage of the community that were not concerned about COVID-19, however a small percentage were concerned about job losses and maintaining a workforce.

Life in West Arthur

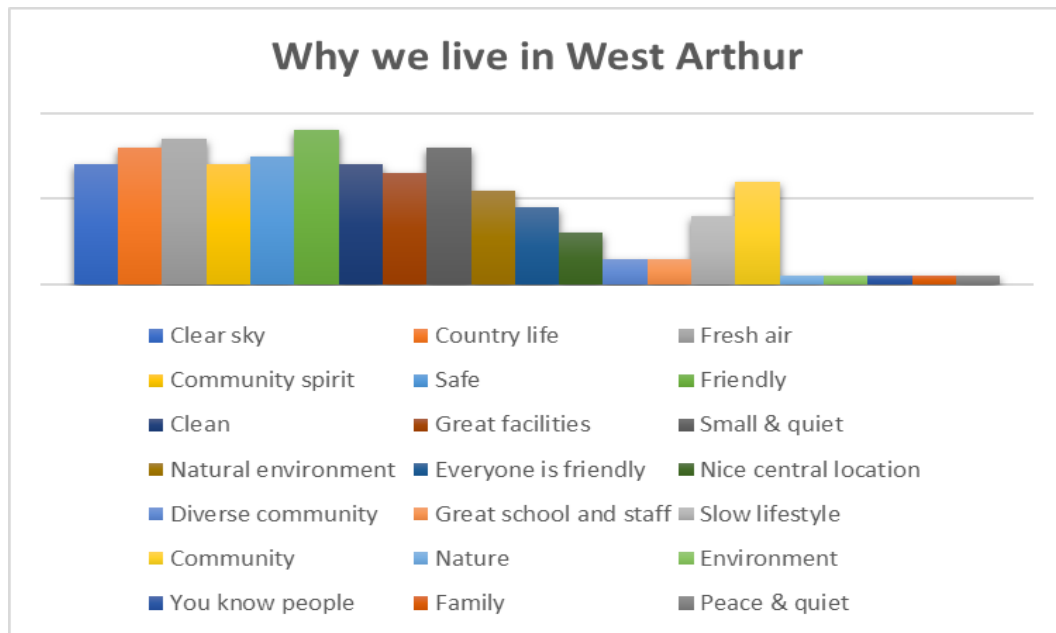


Figure 5: Words used to describe West Arthur

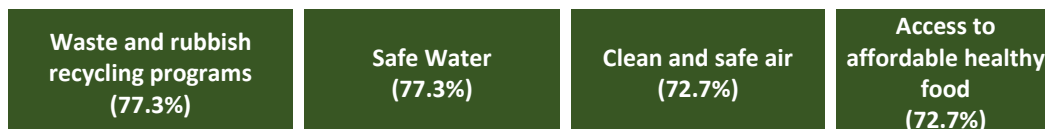
Within the Community Strategic Plan, the statement for Our Community is “our community is safe, friendly, and inclusive”. Respondents showed that 81.8% think the community is friendly, with 68.2% indicating that it was safe. 77.3% of respondents indicated that fresh air was also a priority about living in the Shire.

When talking about life in West Arthur, respondents indicated that social connectivity was a major asset to the overall social wellbeing of the community.



Environment

The community showed concern about the environment and identified their top priorities.



Other priorities included safe chemical usage, along with a healthy river system. Renewable energy was also identified, both solar and wind.

The Public Health Vision added to the Community Strategic Plan

Our Community	Our Economy	Our Natural Environment	Our Built Environment	Our Leadership	Our Health
<p>1.1 A safe place to work, live and visit: We will support the provision of emergency services and volunteers, prevent crime and communicate risks and hazards to the community</p>	<p>2.1 Improved employment through diversification in agriculture: We will investigate opportunities for diversification, water security and liaise with key stakeholders</p>	<p>3.1 Maintain and improve our key natural assets: We will maintain Lake Towerrinning, our trails, protect our night skies and protect and improve additional natural assets.</p>	<p>4.1 Our road network is well maintained: We will regularly review and update our long term road construction and maintenance program, collaborate with surrounding Shires and State government to ensure sound planning and resource utilisation, and enhance road safety strategies for road users.</p>	<p>5.1 Councillors represent the community and are well-trained: The Council is representative of the community, collaborate with Shire staff to achieve the best outcomes for the community, elected members have training and skills relevant in order to act in the best interest of the Shire, and the Council process is open and transparent to the general community.</p>	<p>6.1 Minimise harm: from abuse of alcohol, tobacco, and other drugs.</p>
<p>1.2 Support is available for people of all ages and abilities: We will actively support and promote a range of activities for all ages and abilities, maintain and support the growth of medical, childcare and aged service facilities, and provide services and infrastructure to meet the needs of the community</p>	<p>2.2 A growing, diverse business community: We will investigate tourism opportunities, maintain and enhance our existing assets, promote the LIA, advocate for improved communication facilities, promote the Shire and investigate opportunities for growth within the local economy</p>	<p>3.2 Our water resources are well defined and used sustainably: We will develop a whole of Shire Water Strategy to better manage our water resources, invest in water security, manage existing water resources in a sustainable manner, and encourage development of private water supplies.</p>	<p>4.2 Our built infrastructure is well maintained, attractive and inviting: We will maintain our parks and gardens, review and upgrade our community facilities as required, and our townscapes are attractive and well developed with consideration for current and future usage.</p>	<p>5.2 Shire staff are well trained, motivated and customer focused: by ensuring staff have opportunities to continue professional development, provide flexible working arrangements where possible, and continuously strive to be customer focused and serve Council and the community.</p>	<p>6.2 Provide facilities that promote active recreation and healthy lifestyle choices, including access to healthy, affordable food.</p>

<p>1.3 A unique identity and a strong connection to our past: We will maintain and preserve our cultural and heritage assets, reconnect to our Aboriginal heritage and support community events that connect to our history</p>	<p>2.3 Existing businesses develop and grow: We will communicate opportunities with existing businesses, encourage regular meetings, and ensure services and products are sourced locally whenever possible</p>	<p>3.3 Our natural biodiversity is maintained and valued: We will support Blackwood Biosecurity Group to manage pests, weeds are managed or eliminated in areas of high biodiversity, protect our unique flora and fauna, and consider biodiversity in all land use applications and developments</p>	<p>4.3 Our cultural heritage is preserved and promoted: by maintaining the integrity of our heritage buildings, investigate opportunities to develop our historical assets, and take into consideration planning and development for our heritage values.</p>	<p>5.3 Establish and maintain sound business and governance structures: by ensuring that the community is provided with value for money through the prudent expenditure of rates, provide informed decision making based on strategic directions and legal requirements, and comply with regulations and best practise standards to drive good decision making by Council and staff.</p>	<p>6.3 Assist and advocate for community access to relevant health services for all demographics.</p>
		<p>3.4 Water is minimised and environmentally sustainable practices are employed: by providing an effective waste management service, and promote environmentally sustainable principles</p>	<p>4.4 Appropriate planning and development: We will implement the town planning scheme and policies to ensure any planning and development is appropriate throughout the Shire.</p>	<p>5.4 Actively engage with community, business and other stakeholders to grow and develop the community: by continuing to collaborate with other regional Shires to achieve maximum benefits for the region, advocate on behalf of the community, continue to improve communication with the community, and continuously review and revise the Community Plan to reflect the changing needs of the community.</p>	<p>6.4 A safe environment: environmental health protection to reduce risks to health.</p>

Better Health – Community and Public Health Strategies

Minimise Harm	Active and Healthy Lifestyles	A Healthy and Sustainable Community	A Safe Environment
6.1 Minimise harm: from abuse of alcohol, tobacco, and other drugs.	6.2 Provide facilities that promote active recreation and healthy lifestyle choices, including access to healthy, affordable food.	6.3 Assist and advocate for community access to relevant health services for all demographics.	6.4 A safe environment: environmental health protection to reduce risks to health.
6.1.1 Support education to reduce alcohol and drug consumption and family violence.	6.2.1 Support community recreation activities and provision of age-appropriate exercise equipment and classes.	6.3.1 Support health and wellbeing initiatives to improve mental and physical health.	6.4.1 Provide public health education on matters such as COVID, FoodSafe and other disease control.
6.1.2 Encourage safe sale and service of alcohol and tobacco, and support no/low alcohol and smoke-free community venues and events at Shire facilities.	6.2.2 Promote healthy eating and affordable meals and drinks in food outlets and at venues and events.	6.3.2 Encourage personal health screenings such as cancers, blood pressure and mammograms.	6.4.2 Maintain safe food standards by regular surveillance of food premises.
6.1.3 Encourage the community to reduce smoking and promote smoke-free public spaces such as playgrounds.	6.2.3 Provide safe and accessible public open spaces and walking trails.	6.3.3 Engage with agencies to maintain safe roads, provide bushfire prevention, and manage climate change impacts.	6.4.3 Monitor drinking and recreation waters, public aquatic facilities to maintain standards and reduce public health risk.
6.1.4 In conjunction with stakeholders, conduct a Safety Audit to improve safety and prevent crime and anti-social behaviour	6.2.4 Support a community campaign to raise awareness in healthy eating and living.	6.3.4 Create accessible spaces and encourage disabled participation.	6.4.4 Monitor public health indicators and encourage other government intervention.
			6.4.5 Monitor the safe use of chemicals and their equipment and disposal of waste and containers.

The Path Forwards

This Plan was developed over eight months in consultation with the community, elected members, and stakeholders.

While public health is the responsibility of everyone within the community, this plan is focused on addressing the present shortcomings to improve the health of the community. Key messages from the community showed that community health can be improved by access to quality nutritional food, physical activity, as well as attention to mental and social health.

Council will provide leadership to improve public health outcomes by:

- Leading the community by advocating for better health outcomes;
- Having a whole of Council approach;
- Developing appropriate policies, including:
 - Healthy Eating Policy
 - Active West Arthur Policy
 - Alcohol and Drug Policy
 - Environmental Health Policy
 - Health and Wellbeing Policy
 - Mental Health Policy;
- Encouraging partnerships with Government and NGOs for health planning; and
- Elected members encouraging and mentoring to promote healthy lifestyles.

The strategies contained within the Plan mirror work that is currently underway. The Shire of West Arthur will initiate activities that will assist the community to reach the desired outcomes. Initiatives and activities will be reviewed annually and evolve to meet the needs of the community.

The Plan requires Council to ensure that the community is afforded:

- Protection from disease,
- Minimised harm,
- Promotion of active healthy lifestyles, and
- A safe environment by reducing risks to public health.

References

Information used in the research phase of this plan was primarily drawn from: ABS Census (2021), SEIFA Index, WA Health (Wheatbelt) and the Shire of West Arthur Health and Wellbeing Survey.

12 CORPORATE SERVICES

12.1 BUDGET AMENDMENT - BIKE MONTH GRANT 2023

File Reference:	ADM162
Location:	N/A
Applicant:	N/A
Author:	Sharon Bell, Community Development Officer
Authorising Officer:	Vin Fordham Lamont, Chief Executive Officer
Date:	31/08/2023
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Attachments:	1. WA Bike Month Application ↓ 2. WA Bike Month Contract ↓

SUMMARY:

Council is requested to consider approving a budget amendment as a result of a successful grant application of \$2,000 for an event to be held in October 2023.

BACKGROUND:

Council adopted the budget for 2023-24 at the 24 August 2023 Ordinary Council Meeting. There was no allocation for the receipt of the grant funding under Youth Collaboration.

COMMENT:

On 30 June 2023, the Community Development Officer submitted a grant application to Westcycle to hold a local event during WA Bike Month. The event 'Ready, Set, Ride' will consist of two concurrent workshops – bike maintenance and pump track skills, with two sessions of each workshop so that participants can attend both. The bike maintenance workshop will include tyres, chains, general bike maintenance, helmets, safety equipment and footwear. The pump track skills workshop will teach people how to ride bumps and banks, and in general improve their skills. If there is sufficient time, a short ride will be held on the Collie-Darkan Rail Trail. A sausage sizzle lunch will be held during the event.

The workshops will be run by Traaverse, Adventure Connections and Crankncycles and will be open to people of all ages from 6 and up. Children under 10 will need an adult accompanying them. The Shire of West Arthur will facilitate the event, and promote the event through the West Arthur CRC, on social media, websites and school newsletter. The event will also be promoted in neighbouring Shires.

It is proposed that the event will be held on Monday 2 October, which is the second week of the school holidays. The targeted audience is children/youth and young adults.

CONSULTATION:

CEO
Projects Officer
Manager West Arthur CRC

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT:

Local Government Act 1995

Section 6.8 Expenditure from municipal fund not included in annual budget.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

There will be an income item of \$2,000 with corresponding expenditure of \$2,000.

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS:

West Arthur: Towards 2031

Theme: Community

Outcome: Support available for people of all ages and abilities

Strategy: Actively support and promote a range of activities for a range of ages and abilities.

Provide services and infrastructure to meet the needs of the community

Theme: Natural Environment

Outcome: Maintain and improve our key natural assets

Strategy: Maintain and develop our trails for use by locals and visitors (Collie-Darkan Rail Trail)

RISK IMPLICATIONS:

Risk management is the removal of uncertainty from business decisions. Risk is expressed in terms of likelihood it may occur and the consequences that may flow from it. The consequences may be positive or negative or simply a deviation from the expected. The risk or consequence may be related to health and safety; financial; business or service interruption; compliance; reputation; or the environment. ***Reference to the risk matrix below will generate a risk rating by assessing the likelihood and consequence and multiplying these scores by each other.*** The greater the risk rating, the greater the risk and the higher the need for specific plans to be developed. All items with a risk rating greater than 10 should be added to the Risk Register and specific controls developed.

Risk Themes:

A risk theme is the categorising of risk. For example, the collection of risks that represent compliance failure. The risk themes in the shire Risk Register include:

- Business Disruption
- Community Disruption
- IT or Communications Failure
- External Threat or Fraud
- Misconduct
- Inadequate safety or security practices
- Inadequate project or change management
- Errors Omissions or Delays
- Inadequate Document Management Processes
- Inadequate supplier / contract management
- Providing inaccurate advice / information
- Ineffective Employment practices
- Compliance failure
- Inadequate asset management
- Inadequate engagement practices
- Ineffective facility or event management
- Inadequate environmental management

Risk Matrix:

Consequence Likelihood		Insignificant	Minor	Moderate	Significant	Severe
		1	2	3	4	5
Almost Certain	5	Medium (5)	High (10)	High (15)	Extreme (20)	Extreme (25)
Likely	4	Low (4)	Medium (8)	High (12)	High (16)	Extreme (20)
Possible	3	Low (3)	Medium (6)	Medium (9)	High (12)	High (15)
Unlikely	2	Low (2)	Low (4)	Medium (6)	Medium (8)	High (10)
Rare	1	Low (1)	Low (2)	Low (3)	Low (4)	Medium (5)

Description of Key Risk	Event will not go ahead
Risk Likelihood (based on history and with existing controls)	Unlikely (2)
Risk Consequence	Insignificant (1)
Risk Rating (Prior to Treatment or Control): Likelihood x Consequence	Low (2)
Principal Risk Theme	Ineffective facility or event management
Risk Action Plan (Controls or Treatment Proposed)	Accept the grant funding and hold the event

VOTING REQUIREMENTS:

Absolute Majority

RESOLUTION CO-2023-101

Moved: Cr Duncan South
 Seconded: Cr Karen Harrington

That Council approve, by absolute majority, the following out of budget income and expenditure:

- \$2,000 grant funding from Westcycle; and
- Corresponding \$2,000 expenditure for the “Ready, Set, Ride” event.

In Favour: Crs Neil Morrell, Graeme Peirce, Karen Harrington, Robyn Lubcke, Neil Manuel, Duncan South and Adam Squires

Against: Nil

CARRIED 7/0 BY ABSOLUTE MAJORITY

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WA Bike Month Grant Application

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Thank you for your interest in WA Bike Month.

You can participate in WA Bike Month by applying for a grant or registering an unfunded event. Please use this form to apply for a WA Bike Month Grant. Please visit [WA Bike Month](#) to register an unfunded event. You are required to complete this form for each individual grant you wish to apply for.

Before completing this application form, ensure that you have read and understood the:

- WA Bike Month Grant Guidelines available at [WA Bike Month](#);
- associated agreements; and
- reporting you will be required to complete should your application/s be successful.

Incomplete applications and/or applications received after the closing date of Friday, 30 June 2023 at 5:00 pm, will not be considered.

If you have any questions please read the WA Bike Month Grant Guidelines and FAQs on the [WA Bike Month](#) website or contact WestCycle's WA Bike Month team at (08) 6336 9688 or in fo@westcycle.org.au.

WA Bike Month Objectives

All grant applications will be assessed by an industry panel led by WestCycle, in relation to how the proposed event intends to achieve one or more of the following objectives:

1. Promote and encourage bike riding for transport, fun and for a healthier lifestyle.
2. Increase awareness and use of new and existing bike infrastructure, bike routes (i.e. the cycle network), and local facilities you can get to by bike.
3. Encourage new, novice and rusty riders of all ages and abilities to go for a bike ride.

Confirmation of Grant Eligibility

I confirm that the applicant ...

- has read and understood the WA Bike Month 2023 Grant Guidelines
- is able to demonstrate alignment between the WA Bike Month objectives and their event.
- is a representative of local government authorities, a school, workplace, tertiary education institutions, parents and citizens' associations, community groups, bike groups, and or not-for-profit organisations.
- is not an individual, political organisation, or State Government agency.
- is located in Western Australia.
- has current event public liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$20million.

Please select below: *

Yes No

You must confirm that all statements above are true and correct before progressing with this application.

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Contact Details

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Privacy Notice

We will uphold your rights to privacy protection under the [Australian Privacy Principles](#) (APPs) as established under the *Privacy Act 1988* and amended by the *Privacy Amendment (Enhancing Privacy Protection) Act 2012*.

Applicant type

Are you applying as an individual or on behalf of an organisation? *

Shire of West Arthur

For organisations: please use the organisation's full name. Make sure you provide the same name that is listed in official documentation such as that with the ABR, ACNC or ATO.

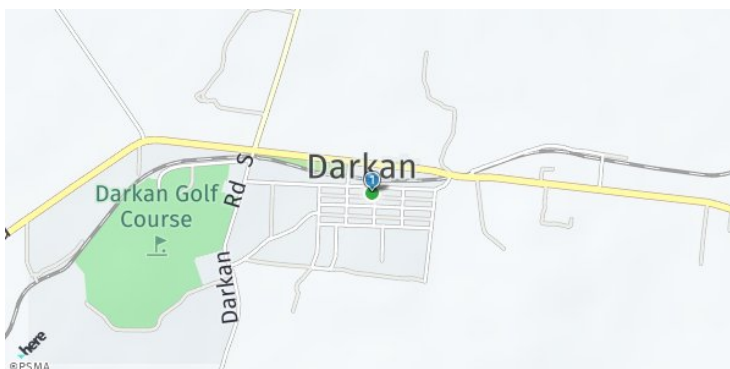
About your organisation

Department/Branch/Faculty

Use this field only if relevant.

Organisation address *

31 Burrowes St W
Darkan WA 6392 Australia



Organisation postal address *

31 Burrowes St W
Darkan WA 6392 Australia

Organisation website *

<http://www.westarthur.wa.gov.au>

Must be a URL.

Organisation phone number *

(08) 9736 2222

Must be an Australian phone number.

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Organisation email address *

shire@westarthur.wa.gov.au

Must be an email address.

Applicant Details

Applicant Project Contact *

Sharon Bell

Applicant Contact Position *

Community Development Officer

Applicant Contact Number *

(08) 9736 2222

Must be an Australian phone number.

Applicant Contact Email *

cdo@westarthur.wa.gov.au

Must be an email address.

Grant Administrator

Are you the person who will be responsible for administering the funds? *

Yes

No - Please advise who will be administering the funds below.

Is the applicant the main contact person for this grant?

Organisation Details

*** indicates a required field**

Type of organisation *

- Local government
- Workplace
- School
- Tertiary education institution
- Not-for-profit organisation
- Community group
- Bike group
- Other:

Does your organisation have an Australian Business Number? *

Yes No

Applicant ABN *

96 912 320 795

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Information from the Australian Business Register	
ABN	96 912 320 795
Entity name	SHIRE OF WEST ARTHUR
ABN status	Active
Entity type	Local Government Entity
Goods & Services Tax (GST)	Yes
DGR Endorsed	No
ATO Charity Type	Not endorsed More information
ACNC Registration	No
Tax Concessions	No tax concessions
Main business location	6392 WA
<i>Information retrieved at 8:21am today</i>	

Is your organisation registered for GST? *

Yes No

Does your organisation have event public liability insurance? *

Yes No

Public Liability Insurance

How much is your public liability cover? *

\$100,000,000.00

Must be a dollar amount and at least 20000000.

Please upload your certificate of currency. *

Filename: WESTA PL Certificate of Currency 2022-2023.pdf

File size: 224.0 kB

Grant Agreement Contract

If your application is successful, do you agree to return a signed Grant Agreement Contract within two (2) weeks of your grant being awarded? *

Yes

No

Grant Agreement Contract

Please note, that if you have selected 'No', you cannot be considered for a grant.

Event Details and Objectives

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Event Name

What is your event name? *

Ready, Set, Ride

Event date *

02/10/2023

Must be a date.

Recurring event dates (if applicable)

Must be a date and between 1/10/2023 and 31/10/2023.

Recurring event dates (if applicable)

Must be a date and between 1/10/2023 and 31/10/2023.

Event time(s) *

10.00am - 3.00pm

Please use 12-hour clock format (PM or AM)

Event location *

Burrowes St W

Darkan WA 6392 Australia

Address Line 1, Suburb/Town, State/Province, Postcode, and Country are required.

Please provide an event description *

The event will consist of two concurrent workshops - bike maintenance workshop and a pump track skills workshop. There will be two sessions so that participants can attend both. The bike maintenance workshop will include tyres, chains, general bike maintenance, helmets, safety equipment and footwear. This will be followed by a sausage sizzle lunch. The pump track skills workshop, teaching people how to ride bumps and banks, and in general improving their skills. If there is sufficient time, a short ride will be held on the Collie-Darkan Rail Trail. 10 mountain bikes will be hired for the event for those who do not have a suitable bike.

There will be a lunch break, which will consist of a sausage sizzle and fresh fruit.

The workshops will be run by Traaverse, Adventure Connections and Crankncycles and will be open to people of all ages from 6 and up. Children under 10 will need an adult accompanying them. The Shire of West Arthur will facilitate the event, working with the West Arthur Community Resource Centre to advertise the event through the local newsletter 'The Bleat', as well as on social media, websites and through the school newsletter. The event will be promoted in neighbouring shires, to ensure that there is maximum participation.

It is planned to have the event during the school holidays, to maximise the number of people who can attend. It is anticipated that the target audience will be children/youth and young adults.

Must be between 20 and 400 words.

Who will attend? How many attendees do you expect? What activities will you have?

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Grant Assessment Criteria

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Grant Assessment Criteria

Which WA Bike Month objectives will your event seek to achieve? *

- Promote and encourage bike riding for transport, fun and for a healthier lifestyle.
- Increase awareness and use of new and existing bike infrastructure, bike routes (i.e., the cycle network), and local facilities that you can get to by bike.
- Encourage new, novice and rusty riders of all ages and abilities to go for a bike ride.

At least 1 choice must be selected.

For each objective you selected, please describe how your event will aim to achieve it. *

Promote bike riding for fun - showing how enjoyable it is to ride your bike. It will encourage children to ride their bikes to school, and for families to go for longer rides via the local trails.

Increase awareness - promote the Darkan pump track, as well as the Collie-Darkan Rail Trail, and the Darkan-Dardanine Rail Trail.

Encourage riders to go for a bike ride - by hosting two workshops it will allow people to understand how much fun it is to go for a ride. It will give them the confidence to maintain their bikes.

Must be between 20 and 250 words.

Please describe the steps you will take in the lead up to plan for a successful event, including securing internal organisational and community support. *

The Shire will work with local organisations to obtain volunteers for the event. Work has already commenced to identify potential stakeholders. A project leader has been identified, who will work closely with volunteers and the businesses. Shire is supporting the event.

Must be between 20 and 250 words.

Include in this section information about your strategies for providing the inputs (staff/volunteers, time/expertise, equipment, facilities, education, capacity building, advocacy, etc.) and how you will deliver this event within the proposed timelines. Provide information also about any past work that may demonstrate your organisation's capacity to undertake this event. Provide links to further explanatory material if available/relevant.

Please describe your plan to promote attendance at the proposed event. *

Promotion of the event through the local school and community organisations. Share promotional materials with neighbouring Shires (Collie, Williams, Wagin) to optimise attendance.

Must be between 20 and 250 words.

Which channels will you use to promote your event? How will you ensure that your event is well-attended?

Grant Details

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Grant Category

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Which grant category are you applying for? *

- Minor (up to \$500)
 Local (up to \$2,000)
 Major (up to \$7,000)

Attendee Type

Is your event a private or public? *

- Public
 Private

Can members of the public attend your event?

WA Bike Month Webpage

Would you like to have your event list on the WA Bike Month event webpage? *

- Yes
 No

Listing your event on the WA Bike Month webpage may encourage more people to attend your event. We can also co-host your Facebook events to promote your event.

How much WA Bike Month grant funding are you applying for? *

\$2,000.00

Must be a dollar amount.

What is the total amount of funding you are requesting in this application?

If your organisation is successful for the grant, what services and items will you purchase with the WA Bike Month grant funds for the specified activities? *

Trainer for Maintenance Workshop (includes travel) = \$488

Maintenance Repair Kits x 20 = \$360

Water x 72 = \$30

Catering (includes sausage sizzle and fresh fruit) = \$334

Helmets x 2 = \$100

Trainer/s for Pump Track Workshop = \$488

Hire of bikes = \$200

Must be between 20 and 250 words.

Please refer to the WA Bike Month Grant Guidelines for eligible and ineligible expenditure items.

Declaration

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Certification

I certify that to the best of my knowledge, the statements made within this application are true and correct, and I have read and understand the Grant Guidelines which can be found at [WA Bike Month \(transport.wa.gov.au\)](https://transport.wa.gov.au), and agree to its terms.

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I agree *

Yes No

Applicant Feedback

Please take a few moments to provide some feedback.

Please indicate how you found the online application process: *

Very easy Easy Neutral Difficult Very difficult

Please provide us with your suggestions about any improvements and/or additions to the application process/form that you think we need to consider. *

Perhaps a budget template would be good.



Government of **Western Australia**
Department of **Transport**



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Grant Agreement Contract

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1. Definitions

In this Agreement, unless the context otherwise requires:

Agreement means this WA Bike Month 2023 Grant Agreement Contract and the Agreement made by this Deed.

Auditor General means the Auditor General for the State of Western Australia.

WA Bike Month 2023 Grant means a grant by WestCycle under its grant program described in clause 7.1.

Confidential Information includes, but is not limited to, any information relating to business affairs and processes of the Parties, obtained by virtue of this Agreement, which would not otherwise be available to the general public and all information marked as confidential as well as information which, by its nature, is confidential, is known to be confidential or which the Party receiving the information from the other Party ought to have known was confidential and includes all such information that may be in the possession of the Party's employees, agents and contractors.

Department of Transport means the State Government Department of that name of Level 9, 140 William Street Perth.

Event: the event name, location and date and brief description of the event as outlined in the table in clause 5.

Grant means a WA Bike Month 2023 Grant paid by the Grantor to organisations or groups (Grantee) under this Agreement.

Grantee means the Grant Recipient who is the organisation or group awarded the Grant payment as specified in clause 4.

Grantor means WestCycle Incorporated with ABN 36 563 134 343.

Grant Acquittal Form means the form that the Grantee is obliged to submit under clauses 8 and 11 and for which an indicative form is set out in Schedule 1.

Local Event means a funding grant of up to \$2,000 to the Grantee to hold a bike riding event that is open to the public with an anticipated attendance of between 50 and 100 people.

Major Event means a funding grant of up to \$7,000 to the Grantee to hold a large-scale flagship bike riding event that is open to the public with an anticipated attendance of between 100 and 500 people.

Nominated Officer means the officer nominated to receive notices and other correspondence under clause 22.

Party means the Grantor or the Grantee as the context requires, and **Parties** means both of them.

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2. Grant Agreement

As part of WA Bike Month, the Event will encourage more Western Australians to ride a bike for transport, fun and a healthier lifestyle.

Please complete and return this Grant Agreement to the Grantor at info@westcycle.org.au. Clearly legible scanned copies are acceptable.

This Grant Agreement is between “the Grantor” and “the Grantee” as detailed below.

3. Grant details

Grant category	
Grant amount (Ex. GST)	
Grant reference number¹	

4. Grantee

Name of entity	
Name of contact person	
Position title	
Postal address	
Phone	
Email	
ABN	
Registered for GST (Y/N)	

5. Event details (“Event”)

Event name	
Event location(s)	
Event date(s)	
Brief Event description	

¹ NB: Number provided by WestCycle

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6. Terms and Conditions

By accepting this grant offer, the Grantee agrees to the following Terms and Conditions:

7. Purpose

- 7.1 WA Bike Month is a grants program aimed at promoting and encouraging people of all ages and abilities to ride bikes for transport, fun and a healthier lifestyle.
- 7.2 The purpose of this Agreement is to set out the terms and conditions under which the Grantor has agreed to provide the Grant to the Grantee.
- 7.3 The Grantee will use the Grant funds solely in accordance with the approved purpose as set out above and in compliance with the terms and conditions set out below.
- 7.4 The Department of Transport has made funds available for the provision of Grants.
- 7.4 The Grants are administered by the Grantor. The agreement between the Department of Transport and the Grantor are contained in a separate agreement.
- 7.4 The Grantor is responsible for administering the WA Bike Month program to the Grantee.

8. Grant Payment

- 8.1. Under the *Financial Management Act*, the Department of Transport requires evidence that the funds provided were expended in accordance with this Grant Agreement.
- 8.2. To allow the timely payment of grant funds after the WA Bike Month Event, the Grantee must send both:
 - (i) a tax invoice for the total funds spent up to the full grant amount; and
 - (ii) the completed Grant Acquittal Form, by email to the Grantor at info@westcycle.org.au within 14 days of the Event (or the final event, in the case of multiple Events).

The completed Grant Acquittal Form will then be forwarded by the Grantor to the Department of Transport.

- 8.3. A template invoice will be made available via the WA Bike Month webpage.
- 8.4. An indicative form of the Grant Acquittal Form is set out in Schedule 1.
- 8.5. Clause 11 sets out further detailed requirements for the Grant Acquittal Form.
- 8.6. Invoices must be made out to:
WestCycle
105 Cambridge Street
West Leederville WA 6007
- 8.7. Invoices will be settled once all grant terms and conditions have been satisfied and the Grantor has received a completed Grant Acquittal Form (see Schedule 1 for an indicative form).

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9. Term of Agreement

The term of this Agreement is from the date it is executed to its termination or when all obligations under it have been carried out, whichever is later.

10. Variations

This Agreement may only be varied in writing duly executed by the Parties.

11. Grant Acquittal

11.1. The Grant Acquittal Form will require the Grantee to submit information about its Event including:

- (i) an overview of the Event and its outcomes;
- (ii) financial records including copies of invoices and payment receipts detailing how the WA Bike Month Grant was used;
- (iii) date stamped copies of photographs taken during the Event;
- (iv) date stamped copies of promotional materials used for the Event (e.g., posters, flyers, website posts) before, during and after the Event;
- (v) details of media coverage; and
- (vi) details of any grants from third parties, including the names and contact details of all third parties providing grants, as well as the amounts and obligations required of the Grantee in relation to those third-party grants.

11.2. Any materials provided may be used by the Department of Transport and/or the Grantor for future promotion of WA Bike Month or cycling in Western Australia. It is the responsibility of the Grantee to ensure that photography and/or videography permission has been sought from attendees.

11.3 The Grantee must retain **all receipts for audit purposes**, and it is a **condition of this grant that the Grantee is to provide receipts to both the Grantor and the Department of Transport upon request**.

12. Acknowledgements and Logos

12.1. The WA Bike Month co-badged logo must only be used in promotions in accordance with clauses 13.1 and 13.2.

12.2. The Grantor and/or the Department of Transport may review, or audit promotional material and activities associated with the Event, including specific uses of logos.

13. Promotion

All Grantees must only use the promotional material that will be made available via the downloadable content section of the WA Bike Month webpage. It is anticipated that a range of templates will be available including pre-approved and 'open' templates, the latter of which will allow recipients to include their own design.

13.1. If using an 'open' template, the Grantee must submit the resulting material to WestCycle via info@westcycle.org.au who will review the design at least two weeks prior to the Event date.

13.2. It is recommended that the Grantee allocate at least 10 per cent of its overall budget to promoting their Event. This can include, but is not limited to:

- 13.2.1. paid social media and online advertising; and
- 13.2.2. printing and distribution of posters and flyers.

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- 13.3. It is recommended that the Grantee create a Facebook Event page and invite the Grantor to co-host this page.
- 13.4. Where appropriate, the Grantor and/or the Department of Transport may also promote the Event through their respective newsletters and social media platforms.
- 13.5. The Department of Transport and/or the Grantor may utilise other promotional opportunities available for the Event, such as contacting local media.
- 13.6. It is the responsibility of the Grantee to ensure that photography and/or videography permission has been sought from attendees prior to use in promotion and acquittal documentation.

14. Grantee's Obligations

- 14.1. If the cost of the Event exceeds the Grant, the Grantee is to pay all excess costs.
- 14.2. The Grantee is to carry out the Event in accordance with all relevant laws and standards, including Australian Standards.
- 14.3. The Grantee must liaise with the relevant authorities about the installation of any infrastructure required and obtain any relevant approvals.
The Grantee is to:
 - (i) Keep and maintain proper, accurate, complete and up-to-date records relating to the Event of all work undertaken and monies expended.
 - (ii) Ensure its records enable all income and expenditure related to the Event be identified in its accounts.
 - (iii) Keep and maintain accurate, complete and up-to-date records of communications and events that affect, relate to or impact on the management or delivery of the Event for a period of at least two years from the date of Grant Acquittal.
 - (iv) Ensure that all records that relate to the Event are available for inspection upon the Grantor's request.

15. Termination

- 15.1 The Grantor may terminate this Agreement at any time at the Grantor's absolute discretion and the Grantor will cease to have any obligation to the Grantee.
- 15.2. If the Grantee breaches any of the conditions, the Grantor may:
 - (i) Suspend performance of the Grantor's obligations until such time as the Grantor is satisfied in its absolute discretion that the Grantee has remedied the breach; or
 - (ii) Terminate this Agreement by providing notice and then this Agreement is terminated from the date specified in that notice.
- 15.3 If the Grantor terminates this Agreement, the Grantor will have no further obligation to pay the Grantee the Grant or any part of the Grant which has not yet been paid to the Grantee.
- 15.4 If:
 - (i) the Grantee has spent any part of the Grant funding other than in accordance with this Agreement or the purposes for which it was granted; or
 - (ii) the Grantee has misled the Grantor in any manner whatsoever including but not limited to, the use of Grant or inaccurate statements made on the grant application, the Grant Agreement, or any other forms or records

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then the Grantee must immediately repay to the Grantor all Grant funds and this amount can be recovered as a debt from the Grantee to the Grantor.

16. Risk Management

- 16.1. The Grantee must have regard to the Risk Assessment Guide and Form (see Schedule 2 for an indicative guide and form) which will assist the Grantee to consider a range of scenarios they will need to plan and insure for prior to their Event.
- 16.2. Grantees are required to complete a full risk assessment in relation to the Event and submit it with this Grant Agreement.
- 16.3. By signing this Grant Agreement, the Grantee warrants that they have and will maintain sufficient and proportionate insurance coverage including:
 - i. public liability insurance;
 - ii. motor vehicle insurance for any vehicles it uses in the Event; and
 - iii. any other forms of insurance that are necessary to address the risks specific to the Eventfrom a reputable and solvent insurer approved by the Grantor.
- 16.4. The Grantee further warrants that all premiums in respect of those insurance policies and renewals of the policy are current at the time of signing this Agreement and at the Event.
- 16.5. The minimum Public Liability Insurance that the Grantee shall hold is \$20,000,000 (20 million dollars).
- 16.6. The Grantee will provide copies of all policies, certificates of currency and receipts for premiums in connection with all insurance cover referred to above with the Grant application.
- 16.7. If an incident occurs during the Event, an incident report must be completed and provided to the Grantor along with all other relevant documentation.

17. Indemnity and Liability

- 17.1. Neither the Department of Transport nor the Grantor takes responsibility for safety of the Event, nor any person attending or involved with the event.
- 17.2. Neither the Grantor nor the Department of Transport accept any liability for personal injury and/or damage to property during the Event.
- 17.3. Neither the Department of Transport nor the Grantor accept liability for damage or disruption incurred for works carried out by third party contractors.
- 17.4. The Grantee hereby indemnifies the Grantor and the Department of Transport, any department, agency, instrumentality or emanation of the State (and any Minister, officer, or employee of any of them) from all:
 - (i) actions;
 - (ii) claims;
 - (iii) costs;
 - (iv) proceedings;
 - (v) suits;
 - (vi) demands

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whatsoever, which may at any time be brought, maintained or made against them or any of them in respect of any:

- (i) loss whatsoever;
- (ii) injury or damage of, or to, any kind of property or thing;
- (iii) act or omission or breach of the law;
- (iv) death of, or injury or illness sustained by, any person;

arising out of, or relating to, whether directly or indirectly, this Agreement, the Grant, the Event or any act, neglect, omission or default by the Grantee, Grantor or Department of Transport or anyone employed or engaged by the Grantee, Grantor or Department of Transport.

18. Confidentiality

The Parties are to treat as confidential any Confidential Information or other information that comes into their possession in relation to each other as a result of this Agreement and will not disclose this information to any person other than those of its employees, officers, agents and legal and financial advisers who legitimately and reasonably require such Confidential Information in order to properly discharge the duties:

- (i) Which they were employed or engaged to discharge; or
- (ii) Which they would ordinarily and reasonably be expected to discharge on account of such employment or engagement unless:
 - (i) Required to do so under or pursuant to a provision of a statute, law, regulation, local law, or ordinance in operation in Australia from time to time; or
 - (ii) Required to do so by virtue of an order or direction given to it by or on the part of the Parliament of the State or by Court or Tribunal of the relevant jurisdiction.

19. Freedom of Information

The Grantee acknowledges and agrees that this Agreement and information regarding it is subject to the Freedom of Information Act 1992 and that the Grantor and/or the Department of Transport may publicly disclose information in relation to this Agreement, including its terms and the details of the Grantee.

20. Government Audit

- 20.1. The Parties acknowledge and agree that, despite any provision of this Agreement to the contrary, the powers and responsibilities of the Auditor General under the *Financial Management Act 2006 (FAA)* are not limited or affected by this Agreement. In addition, the Minister's requirements to report to parliament under the FAA are not fettered by this Agreement.
- 20.2. The Grantee is to allow the Department of Transport, Auditor General or an authorised representative of either of these, to have access to and examine the Grantee's records and information concerning this Agreement.

21. Entire Agreement

This Agreement is the entire agreement between the Parties and supersedes all prior communications, negotiations, arrangements, agreements, whether oral or written, between the Parties with respect to the subject matter.

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22. Nominated Officers

22.1 Each Party is to have a Nominated Officer as set out below to receive notices and other communications and is to immediately inform the other Party of any changes to the Nominated Officer or to their contact details.

22.2 Each Party is to send any written notice or other written communication to the other Party's Nominated Officer which must be hand delivered, sent by prepaid post or by email to the Nominated Officer.

Nominated Officer Grantee		Nominated Officer Grantor	
Name		Name	
Title		Title	
Contact Number		Contact Number	
Contact Email		Contact Email	
Address		Address	

SIGNED AS A DEED BY THE PARTIES:

Signature of Grantor:

Signed for and on behalf of
WestCycle

print name

Dated: day of

In the presence of

Date

Name and Position Title

Signature

Signature of Grantee:

[Signature of Principal of the Grantee]

print name and title

Dated: day of

In the presence of

Date

Name and Position Title

Signature

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Schedule 1 – Grant Acquittal Form

(indicative only) (see clauses 8 and 11)

Name of organisation/group	
Name of contact person	
ABN	
Registered for GST (Y/N)	
Position title	
Email	

It is preferred that this form is typed, not handwritten.

Part 1: Event Evaluation Report

Please provide a brief overview of your Event

Please submit at least three high-quality photos of your event when you submit this form

How many people attended your Event?

Please provide an estimate of the bike riding skill level as a percentage of attendees

Bike Riding Skill Level

New riders – first timers	%	Novice - beginners	%
Intermediate – rides occasionally	%	Expert – rides often	%

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Describe how your Event met the WA Bike Month objectives

- Promote and encourage bike riding for transport, fun and a healthier lifestyle.
- Increase awareness and use of new and existing bike infrastructure, bike routes (i.e., the cycle network), and local facilities that you can get to by bike.
- Encourage new, novice and rusty riders of all ages and abilities to go for a bike ride.

Help us promote WA Bike Month in 2023 by providing a brief quote that describes how your Event has encouraged people to ride a bike more often

Describe how you promoted your Event (e.g., paid advertising, social media, posters, flyers) and outline any media coverage your Event received (e.g., unpaid newspaper, radio, TV coverage)

Please submit a copy or screenshot of promotion and/or media coverage when you submit this form.

If you ran the same WA Bike Month Event next year, what would you change to improve your Event?

Is there any feedback regarding the WA Bike Month program that you would like to provide?

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Part 2: Financial Information

WA Bike Month Grant Expenditure

Please list the items that the WA Bike Month Grant was spent on, including the GST amounts for each

Supplier name	Description	Cost (excluding GST)	GST amount	Cost (including GST)
Insert additional rows if required	TOTAL EXPENDITURE	\$		

Note 1: Please retain all receipts as some Events will be audited.

Note 2: For those Grantee’s registered for GST, the final Grant amount is calculated as the Cost (excluding GST) from the above table plus a full 10 per cent GST on this amount, capped at the pre-approved Grant amount.

Note 3: For those Grantee’s not registered for GST, the final Grant amount is calculated as the Cost (including GST) from the above table with no GST component on the Grant, capped at the pre-approved Grant amount.

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Declaration

I declare that \$_____ of the \$_____ WA Bike Month Grant provided by the Department of Transport was spent in accordance with the purpose and conditions for which it was granted and that the financial statements are a true and fair record of the transactions for this project.

Signed for and on behalf of the Event Organiser

Name:	Signature:
Position:	Date:

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Schedule 2 – WA Bike Month 2023 Risk Assessment Guide and Form

(indicative only)

This Risk Assessment Guide is to help you consider a range of scenarios you may need to plan for prior to your WA Bike Month event. This is not an exhaustive list of issues, and all events will differ from each other. Please ensure that you are prepared to respond to unusual or unexpected situations that may arise.

The form attached to this guide must be submitted as part of your Grant Agreement Contract.

1. If you are using **volunteers**, you must ensure they are briefed to respond to situations such as lost children, health problems such heart failure, food poisoning, exhaustion or dehydration.
2. Brief all volunteers on how/when to **call an ambulance** or other help, if necessary.
3. **Volunteers must be clearly identifiable** with light, bright or reflective uniform clothing.
4. **The route** (if relevant) needs to be checked prior to the event to ensure it is safe, debris free and adequately signposted.
5. Provide and encourage the use of adequate **sun protection** by participants and volunteers.
6. If this event is being held on a **public road or Shared Path**, you must contact Main Roads WA or your local authority to ensure your event complies with the **Traffic Management for Events – Code of Practice**.
7. Check that **no other event** is planned for the same date and location as your event.
8. **Provide adequate signage** (e.g., route, toilet, first aid) and **bike parking** for participants and other event attendees.
9. Carefully consider the **start/finish location** and the possible need for catering facilities, toilets, lighting, stewarding and security, etc.
10. Consider the need to establish a **medical response unit** in attendance or First Aid Post/s. Having a mobile first aid facility is desirable. Ensure participants and volunteers know how to gain access to these facilities.
11. Check the forecast for hot weather and ensure adequate **water** is provided for participants and staff/volunteers to suit the conditions.
12. Ensure **transport is** available for those who may be unable to complete the event, including transport for the participants' equipment.
13. Ensure provisions are made for the **disposal of rubbish during and after the event**.
14. Consideration should be given to allowing access for all so that **people of all ages and abilities** can enjoy the event.
15. Consider whether **public liability insurance** is necessary for the event.
16. Ensure adequate rest stops/facilities are allowed for along the route and within the timing of the event. Remember, children and seniors may require regular rest periods.
17. In case of **event cancellation**, a process to inform participants will need to be devised.

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Risk Assessment Plan Guidelines

Take a moment to read this information to find out how you can manage the risks of your project/event.

What is risk?

Risk is the chance of something happening that will impact negatively upon the project/event.

Why do we need to manage risk?

Managing risks helps to protect the safety of people and property during your project/event and to eliminate or minimise injury.

When do we need to manage risk?

It is important that risks are managed at all times.

How do you assess the risk?

When completing the Risk Assessment Plan, you need to assess the risk. For each hazard, identify the likelihood and severity of the hazard to determine the risk.

Likelihood x Severity = RISK (see guide below).

Likelihood	Severity
1 = Highly unlikely to ever occur	1 = Slight inconvenience
2 = Reasonably unlikely to occur	2 = Minor injury requiring first aid
3 = May occur rarely	3 = Medical attention required
4 = May occur from time to time	4 = Major injury leading to hospitalisation

Rating	Risk	Action
1 – 5	LOW RISK	Risks controlled
6 – 12	MEDIUM RISK	Further precautions required
15 – 25	HIGH RISK	Stop activities, immediate action required

Once you have calculated the risk rating, this will assist you to determine the action required (see Form below) to reduce the risk.

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WA Bike Month Risk Assessment Form

(indicative only)

Event name:		Date of event:	
Location:		Organisation:	
Date of assessment:		Assessment conducted by (name):	

Identify the hazard	Effect of hazard	Persons at risk	Existing control measures	Severity	Likelihood	Risk rating	Action to be taken by
(e.g. fire, public behaviour etc.)	(e.g., illness, injury, death)	(e.g. staff, volunteers, public)	(e.g., written procedures, training, signage)	Choose the rating	Choose the rating	Risk calculated	Name of the responsible officer

12.2 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT LISTING - AUGUST 2023

File Reference:	ADM338
Location:	N/A
Applicant:	N/A
Author:	Kylie Whitaker, Finance Officer
Authorising Officer:	Vin Fordham Lamont, Chief Executive Officer
Date:	18/08/2023
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Attachments:	1. Accounts for Payment Listing - August 2023 ↓ 2. Corporate Card Summary - 29 June to 28 July 2023 ↓

SUMMARY:

Council is requested to endorse payments of accounts for August 2023 as listed and note the attached credit card transactions.

BACKGROUND:

The schedule of accounts for payment is included as an attachment for Council information.

COMMENT:

If you have any questions regarding payments in the listing please contact the office prior to the Council meeting.

CONSULTATION:

No consultation required.

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT:

Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996

12. Payments from municipal fund or trust fund, restrictions on making
- (1) A payment may only be made from the municipal fund or the trust fund —
 - (a) if the local government has delegated to the CEO the exercise of its power to make payments from those funds — by the CEO; or
 - (b) otherwise, if the payment is authorised in advance by a resolution of the council.
 - (2) The council must not authorise a payment from those funds until a list prepared under regulation 13(2) containing details of the accounts to be paid has been presented to the council.
13. Payments from municipal fund or trust fund by CEO, CEO's duties as to etc.
- (1) If the local government has delegated to the CEO the exercise of its power to make payments from the municipal fund or the trust fund, a list of accounts paid by the CEO is to be prepared each month showing for each account paid since the last such list was prepared —
 - (a) the payee's name; and
 - (b) the amount of the payment; and
 - (c) the date of the payment; and
 - (d) sufficient information to identify the transaction.
 - (2) A list of accounts for approval to be paid is to be prepared each month showing —
 - (a) for each account which requires council authorisation in that month —
 - (i) the payee's name; and
 - (ii) the amount of the payment; and

- (iii) sufficient information to identify the transaction;
and
 - (b) the date of the meeting of the council to which the list is to be presented.
- (3) A list prepared under sub regulation (1) or (2) is to be —
 - (a) presented to the council at the next ordinary meeting of the council after the list is prepared; and
 - (b) recorded in the minutes of that meeting.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

Policy F20 – Purchasing and Tenders Policy
Policy F2 – Corporate Transaction Cards Policy

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

There are no financial implications. Reported expenditure is assessed by management as being consistent with the adopted Annual Budget.

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS:

West Arthur Towards 2031

Theme: Leadership and Management

Outcome: Establish and maintain sound business and governance structures

Strategy: Comply with regulations and best practice standards to drive good decision making by Council and Staff

RISK IMPLICATIONS:

Risk management is the removal of uncertainty from business decisions. Risk is expressed in terms of likelihood it may occur and the consequences that may flow from it. The consequences may be positive or negative or simply a deviation from the expected. The risk or consequence may be related to health and safety; financial; business or service interruption; compliance; reputation; or the environment. ***Reference to the risk matrix below will generate a risk rating by assessing the likelihood and consequence and multiplying these scores by each other.*** The greater the risk rating, the greater the risk and the higher the need for specific plans to be developed. All items with a risk rating greater than 10 should be added to the Risk Register and specific controls developed.

Risk Themes:

A risk theme is the categorising of risk. For example, the collection of risks that represent compliance failure. The risk themes in the shire Risk Register include:

- Business Disruption
- Community Disruption
- IT or Communications Failure
- External Threat or Fraud
- Misconduct
- Inadequate safety or security practices
- Inadequate project or change management
- Errors Omissions or Delays
- Inadequate Document Management Processes
- Inadequate supplier / contract management
- Providing inaccurate advice / information
- Ineffective Employment practices
- Compliance failure
- Inadequate asset management
- Inadequate engagement practices

- Ineffective facility or event management
- Inadequate environmental management

Risk Matrix:

Consequence Likelihood		Insignificant	Minor	Moderate	Major	Catastrophic
		1	2	3	4	5
Almost Certain	5	Medium (5)	High (10)	High (15)	Extreme (20)	Extreme (25)
Likely	4	Low (4)	Medium (8)	High (12)	High (16)	Extreme (25)
Possible	3	Low (3)	Medium (6)	Medium (9)	High (12)	High (15)
Unlikely	2	Low (2)	Low (4)	Medium (6)	Medium (8)	High (10)
Rare	1	Low (1)	Low (2)	Low (3)	Low (4)	Medium (5)

Description of Key Risk	Unauthorised (or incorrectly authorised) payments being made
Risk Likelihood (based on history and with existing controls)	Rare (1)
Risk Consequence	Major (4)
Risk Rating (Prior to Treatment or Control): Likelihood x Consequence	Low (4)
Principal Risk Theme	Misconduct
Risk Action Plan (Controls or Treatment Proposed)	Payments listing provided to Council each month

VOTING REQUIREMENTS:

Simple Majority

RESOLUTION CO-2023-102

Moved: Cr Robyn Lubcke
 Seconded: Cr Graeme Peirce

That Council;

1. in accordance with section 13 of the Financial Management Regulations of the Local Government Act 1995 and in accordance with delegation, note Municipal Fund vouchers 11082023.1-11082023.29, 15082023.1-15082023.23, 29082023.1-29082023.21, Licensing, Salaries and Wages, EFT Transfers and Direct Debits totalling \$408,646.86 listed (attached) as approved for payment; and
2. note the attached transaction summary of the Corporate Credit Card facility from 29 June 2023 to 28 July 2023.

In Favour: Crs Neil Morrell, Graeme Peirce, Karen Harrington, Robyn Lubcke, Neil Manuel, Duncan South and Adam Squires

Against: Nil

CARRIED 7/0

**Shire of West Arthur
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Date	Num	Name	Original Amount
03/08/2023	EFT	SALARIES AND WAGES	62798.73
		PAYROLL	
03/08/2023	DIRECTDEBIT	ASGARD SUPER	386.53
		FORTNIGHTLY SUPERANNUATION PAYMENT	
03/08/2023	DIRECTDEBIT	AUSTRALIAN ETHICAL SUPER FUND	130.35
		FORTNIGHTLY SUPERANNUATION PAYMENT	
03/08/2023	DIRECTDEBIT	AUSTRALIAN RETIREMENT TRUST	284.32
		FORTNIGHTLY SUPERANNUATION PAYMENT	
03/08/2023	DIRECTDEBIT	AUSTRALIAN SUPER	2321.19
		FORTNIGHTLY SUPERANNUATION PAYMENT	
03/08/2023	DIRECTDEBIT	AWARE SUPER	7424.05
		FORTNIGHTLY SUPERANNUATION PAYMENT	
03/08/2023	DIRECTDEBIT	COLONIAL FIRST STATE	865.97
		FORTNIGHTLY SUPERANNUATION PAYMENT	
03/08/2023	DIRECTDEBIT	D AND K MELBOURNE SUPERANNUATION FUND	321.03
		FORTNIGHTLY SUPERANNUATION PAYMENT	
03/08/2023	DIRECTDEBIT	HESTA SUPER FUND	359.30
		FORTNIGHTLY SUPERANNUATION PAYMENT	
09/08/2023	DIRECTDEBIT	NATIONAL AUSTRALIA BANK	41.99
		NAB CONNECT FEES	
11/08/2023	DIRECTDEBIT	SYNERGY	1666.52
		SERVICE CHARGE AND USAGE FOR VARIOUS SHIRE PROPERTIES	
11/08/2023	DIRECTDEBIT	WATER CORPORATION	3973.90
		SERVICE CHARGE AND USAGE FOR VARIOUS SHIRE PROPERTIES	
11/08/2023	11082023.1	AUSTRALIA POST	279.65
		A4 COPY PAPER (7 BOXES - 35 REAMS)	
11/08/2023	11082023.2	AVALON SURVEYS	4349.50
		FREEHOLD SUBDIVISION OF LOT 9001 GROWDEN PLACE, DARKAN - PLANNING AND LAND MANAGEMENT	
11/08/2023	11082023.3	BLACKWOOD BASIN GROUP (INC)	1615.88
		LANDCARE SUPPORT AND TRAVEL FOR THE PERIOD 4, 11, 18 AND 25 JULY (6 HRS PER DAY @ \$55 PR/HR)	
11/08/2023	11082023.4	BURGESS RAWSON	110.76
		WATER CONSUMPTION FOR ROSE GARDEN - FOR THE PERIOD 30/5/23-1/8/23	
11/08/2023	11082023.5	CLOUD PAYMENT GROUP	12299.54
		RATE RECOVERY ON A 921, A950, A727 AND A951	
11/08/2023	11082023.6	COLLIE MOWERS & MORE	150.00
		4/12 HILLMAN AND 8 HILLMAN - FIREBOX INSTALLATION MATERIAL	
11/08/2023	11082023.7	CR GRAEME PEIRCE - LAKESIDE CAMPING	1324.30
		SITTING FEES, TRAVEL, COMMUNICATIONS AND DEPUTY PRESIDENT ALLOWANCE:1ST QUARTER 22/23	
11/08/2023	11082023.8	CR N M MANUEL	353.06
		SITTING FEES, TRAVEL, COMMUNICATIONS ALLOWANCE:1ST QUARTER 22/23	
11/08/2023	11082023.9	DKM WORKPLACE SOLUTIONS	286.00
		FT/PT EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT TEMPLATE 4-7 AUG 23	
11/08/2023	11082023.10	EASIFLEET MANAGEMENT- MOUNTSVILLE PTY LTD	1318.99
		SALARY SACRIFICE PAYMENTS BUNCE - MONTH 1/8/23	
11/08/2023	11082023.11	FLEAYS STORE	438.40
		OFFICE MILK, TEA, COFFEE AND SUGAR AND SENIORS MEALS SUPPLIES	
11/08/2023	11082023.12	FORDHAM LAMONT, V	90.00
		TELSTRA MONTHLY BILL - BILLED17/7	
11/08/2023	11082023.13	FUEL DISTRIBUTORS OF WA	320.10
		FUEL FOR RAJ'S CAR	
11/08/2023	11082023.14	G & M DETERGENTS	1071.96
		PAPER TOWELS, SOAPS, DISINFECTANT, TOILET ROLLS FOR SHIRE ABLUTIONS	
11/08/2023	11082023.15	LOISWA	5074.32
		ACTUAL WAGES ADJUSTMENT FOR WORKERS COMPENSATION 22/23	
11/08/2023	11082023.16	LUSH FIRE & PLANNING	2252.25
		GENERAL MATTERS	
11/08/2023	11082023.17	MCLEODS BARRISTERS AND SOLICITORS	227.80
		RATE RECOVERY ADVICE - A782	
11/08/2023	11082023.18	MOTORPASS	5.50
		MANAGEMENT FEE P/E 15/7/23	
11/08/2023	11082023.19	PUTLAND MOTORS	3385.80
		PARTS AND REPAIRS - C30, C22, T2, L16, C4, L14	
11/08/2023	11082023.20	RESONLINE PTY LTD	220.00
		CARAVAN PARK ROOM MANAGER SUPPORT SERVICES 23/24	
11/08/2023	11082023.21	SHIRE OF NARROGIN (SUPPLIER)	160.00
		HEALTH SENIOR HEALTH OFFICER - JULY 23	
11/08/2023	11082023.22	SOS OFFICE EQUIPMENT	212.45
		PHOTOCOPIER BILLING JULY 2023 XEROX APEOSPORT C4570	
11/08/2023	11082023.23	SPRYS MEAT MARKET	83.75
		SENIOR MEALS ON WHEELS PROJECT	
11/08/2023	11082023.24	THE PADDY WAGON1	999.50
		WINDFARM FORUM MORNING TEA AND LUNCH	
11/08/2023	11082023.25	WA CONTRACT RANGER SERVICES PTY LTD	627.00
		RANGER SERVICES 20 AND 27 JULY 2023	
11/08/2023	11082023.26	WA TREASURY CORPORATION	2633.04
		GUARANTEE FEE ON SHIRE LOANS	
11/08/2023	11082023.27	WALGA BUSINESS SOLUTIONS	26531.35
		STATE EMPLOYMENT LAW ESSENTIALS WORKSHOP, ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP, PROCUREMENT SERVICES, COUNCIL CONNECT, EMPLOYEE RELATIONS, GOVERNANCE SERVICE	
11/08/2023	11082023.28	WAMERINOCO PTY LTD	65.27
		1 X FEMALE SHIRT INCLUDING WEST ARTHUR LOGO AND SAME COLOUR AS PREVIOUS ORDER	
11/08/2023	11082023.29	WEST ARTHUR COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTRE	644.60
		TRAVEL K PROWSE LIBRARY GRANT WORKSHOP	
15/08/2023	DIRECTDEBIT	TELSTRA	2409.58
		SERVICE CHARGE AND USAGE FOR VARIOUS SHIRE PROPERTIES	
15/08/2023	15082023.1	ABCO PRODUCTS	1304.95
		PUBLIC CONVENIENCES - TERRACYCLIC 13L KIT AND REFILL CARTRIDGES	

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Date	Num	Name	Original Amount
15/08/2023	15082023.2	AIR LIQUIDE FACILITY FEE ON "G" AND "D" SIZE CYLINDERS	49.28
15/08/2023	15082023.3	BUNCE, GEOFF REIMBURSEMENT FOR HEAVY DUTY HINGES AND BASKET STRAINER WASHER	114.30
15/08/2023	15082023.4	CENTRAL GARAGE PARTS AND REPAIRS - T15	2145.00
15/08/2023	15082023.5	DARKAN AGRI SERVICES LIGHT BULBS, CUTTING DISCS, GLYPHOSATE, DUCT TAPE, VERGE SPRAYING, CLEANING SUPPLIES, KEYS CUT, BBQ CLEANING	4792.07
15/08/2023	15082023.6	DEPARTMENT OF MINES, IND REG AND SAFETY BSL REMITTANCE 14 JARRAH STREET (HALTON) PERMIT GRANTED 28/7/23 PERMIT NUMBER WA011	56.65
15/08/2023	15082023.7	INFINITUM TECHNOLOGIES PTY LTD MANAGED SERVICE AGREEMENT GOLD - 01/8/2023-31/8/2023	7663.48
15/08/2023	15082023.8	LUTZ, PETER REIMBURSEMENT FOR RING BURNER TRIPLE FROM COLLIE CAMPING	134.99
15/08/2023	15082023.9	MCLEODS BARRISTERS AND SOLICITORS INDUSTRIAL LAND GROWDEN PLACE	2888.20
15/08/2023	15082023.10	NARROGIN GLASS AND QUICKFIT WINDSCREENS PARTS AND REPAIRS C5 AND C2	2177.22
15/08/2023	15082023.11	NARROGIN QUARRY OPERATIONS QUARRY ROCK 300 TON @ 10.50	3302.84
15/08/2023	15082023.12	OFFICEWORKS STATIONERY CUPBOARD AND DELIVERY	388.95
15/08/2023	15082023.13	P & S GRIGGS PLUMBING SPORTS CLUB	613.56
15/08/2023	15082023.14	PEDERICK ENGINEERING PARTS AND REPAIRS C28, G10, L16 AND D2	7541.05
15/08/2023	15082023.15	QHSE INTEGRATED SOLUTIONS PTY LTD T/AS SK SKYTRUST MONTHLY SUBSCRIPTION AUGUST 2023	218.90
15/08/2023	15082023.16	RAREBITS ON BURROWES 1 SHIRE COUNCILLOR BUS TRIP CATERING, BFB TRAINING AND COUNCIL MEETING JULY	785.00
15/08/2023	15082023.17	RW ENGINEERING PARTS AND REPAIRS L1	621.75
15/08/2023	15082023.18	SPRYS MEAT MARKET SENIOR MEALS ON WHEELS PROJECT	69.85
15/08/2023	15082023.19	STATEWIDE BEARINGS LOCTITE STUD, THREADLOCKER, HYDRAULIC SEALANT AND MASTER PIPE SEAL	212.30
15/08/2023	15082023.20	WA CONTRACT RANGER SERVICES PTY LTD RANGER SERVICES 31 JULY AND 10 AUGUST 23	627.00
15/08/2023	15082023.21	WARREN BLACKWOOD WASTE DOMESTIC WASTE, COMMERCIAL WASTE AND RECYCLING JULY 2023	2924.05
15/08/2023	15082023.22	WEST ARTHUR COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTRE CR ROBYN LUBCKE'S CRC MEMBERSHIP	20.00
15/08/2023	15082023.23	WESTRAC BUNBURY PARTS AND REPAIRS G11	535.89
15/08/2023	BPAY	NAB CREDIT CARD PLANT LICENSING AW459, CTF LEVY, STARLINK MONTHLY SUPPORT, PROCUREMENT WORKSHOP, STAFF MEMBER FAREWELL, VERGE SPRAYING, PRUNERS AND SPUDSHED PURCHASE (REIMBURSED TO SHIRE BY RAJ SUNNER)	1452.89
16/08/2023	DIRECTDEBIT	ASGARD SUPER FORTNIGHTLY SUPERANNUATION PAYMENT	240.13
16/08/2023	DIRECTDEBIT	AUSTRALIAN ETHICAL SUPER FUND FORTNIGHTLY SUPERANNUATION PAYMENT	124.99
16/08/2023	DIRECTDEBIT	AUSTRALIAN RETIREMENT TRUST FORTNIGHTLY SUPERANNUATION PAYMENT	288.50
16/08/2023	DIRECTDEBIT	AUSTRALIAN SUPER FORTNIGHTLY SUPERANNUATION PAYMENT	2130.65
16/08/2023	DIRECTDEBIT	AWARE SUPER FORTNIGHTLY SUPERANNUATION PAYMENT	7388.80
16/08/2023	DIRECTDEBIT	COLONIAL FIRST STATE FORTNIGHTLY SUPERANNUATION PAYMENT	865.97
16/08/2023	DIRECTDEBIT	D AND K MELBOURNE SUPERANNUATION FUND FORTNIGHTLY SUPERANNUATION PAYMENT	301.60
16/08/2023	DIRECTDEBIT	HESTA SUPER FUND FORTNIGHTLY SUPERANNUATION PAYMENT	327.73
17/08/2023	DIRECTDEBIT	SALARIES AND WAGES PAYROLL	61138.59
23/08/2023	BPAY	AUSTRALIAN TAXATION OFFICE ATO PAYMENT	7486.00
24/08/2023	DIRECTDEBIT	NATIONAL AUSTRALIA BANK NAB CONNECT FEES	41.49
29/08/2023	DIRECTDEBIT	SYNERGY USAGE AND SERVICE CHARGE FOR SHIRE PROPERTIES	82.62
29/08/2023	DIRECTDEBIT	RENTFIND TECHNOLOGIES PTY LTD AUGUST 2023	22.00
29/08/2023	29082023.1	BELL, SHARON LEIGH REIMBURSEMENT FOR HDMI CABLE, STAFF MEETING CATERING, SENIORS MEALS AND WINDFARM FORUM	120.75
29/08/2023	29082023.2	BUNCE, GEOFF REIMBURSEMENT FOR WORK BOOTS	189.00
29/08/2023	29082023.3	COALFIELDS WEARPARTS GRADER BLADES FOR G10 & G11	2169.02
29/08/2023	29082023.4	DEPARTMENT OF FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES 2023/24 ESL QUARTER 1 CONTRIBUTIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE DFES WA ACT 1998	18816.00
29/08/2023	29082023.5	EARNSHAW, HELEN REIMBURSEMENT FOR SD READER FOR MUSEUM	49.00
29/08/2023	29082023.6	FORDHAM LAMONT, V TELSTRA DATA PLAN 15/8-14/9/23	90.00
29/08/2023	29082023.7	LUTZ, PETER REIMBURSEMENT FOR STEEL CAP BOOTS	150.00

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Date	Num	Name	Original Amount
29/08/2023	29082023.8	MADEJ CONCRETING NEW CEO HOUSE LAY LIMESTONE BLOCKS	11440.00
29/08/2023	29082023.9	MOTORPASS MANAGEMENT FEE FOR P/E 15/8/23	5.50
29/08/2023	29082023.10	NARROGIN QUARRY OPERATIONS ROADBASE	165.86
29/08/2023	29082023.11	P & S GRIGGS PLUMBING PUMP BLOCKED DRAINS ARTHUR RIVER TOILETS, BACKFLOW TEST TO CRC, SUPPLY AND INSTALL HEAT PUMP	5998.60
29/08/2023	29082023.12	SCHINZIG, RENEE REIMBURSEMENT FOR COUNCIL MEETING CATERING	194.91
29/08/2023	29082023.13	SIGMA CHEMICALS POOL CHLORINE AND SUPPLIES	1866.77
29/08/2023	29082023.14	SIGNS PLUS DELUXE DOMED NAME BADGES WITH MAGNETIC CLIPS	241.00
29/08/2023	29082023.15	SPRYS MEAT MARKET SENIORS MEALS MEAT	267.80
29/08/2023	29082023.16	TRAINING MOMENTUM OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH & SAFETY 5 DAY COURSE FOR STAFF MEMBER 24-28/7/23	567.00
29/08/2023	29082023.17	TREDWELL MANAGEMENT SERVICES PTY LTD HILLMAN NATURE RESERVE WALK TRAIL	2717.00
29/08/2023	29082023.18	WEST ARTHUR COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTRE MEDICAL FUNDING AND LIBRARY FUNDING FROM JULY TO SEPT 2023	5136.07
29/08/2023	29082023.19	WHITE, AMY REFUND FOR OVERPAID DOG REGISTRATION	50.00
29/08/2023	29082023.20	WREN OIL COLLECT OIL IN DRUM 205L	3102.00
29/08/2023	29082023.21	ZONE 50 ENGINEERING SURVEYS PTY LTD CORDERING NORTH ROAD AND BOYUP BROOK ARTHUR ROAD FEATURE SURVEY	19696.88
31/08/2023	EFT	SALARIES AND WAGES PAYROLL	60371.68
31/08/2023	DIRECTDEBIT	NATIONAL AUSTRALIA BANK FEE ACCOUNT 086852 508314406 FEES	10.00
31/08/2023	DIRECTDEBIT	NATIONAL AUSTRALIA BANK FEE ACCOUNT 086724 508314385 FEES	44.50
31/08/2023	DIRECTDEBIT	NATIONAL AUSTRALIA BANK MERCHANT FEE	63.25
31/08/2023	DIRECTDEBIT	BOND ADMINISTRATOR BOND 52 HILLMAN STREET	748.00
		VOUCHERS	AMOUNT
MUNICIPAL FUND		11082023.1-11082023.29	67,130.77
		15082023.1-15082023.23	39,187.28
		29082023.1-29082023.21	73,033.16
		EFT/DEBIT/BPAY	41,803.85
		SALARIES & WAGES	184,309.00
		LICENSING AUGUST 2023 TRANSFERS	3182.8
		TOTAL	408,646.86



SHIRE OF WEST ARTHUR
PAYMENTS OF ACCOUNTS BY NAB VISA CARD
FOR THE STATEMENT PERIOD: 29 June 2023 to 28 July 2023

DATE	PAYEE	DESCRIPTION	SOWA EXPENSE CODE	EXPENSE DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
1. CARD NUMBER 4336-XXXX-XXXX-8951					
05-Jul-23	Construction Training	CTF Levy	L01262	#N/A	\$560.23
05-Jul-23	Construction Training	CTF Levy - Credit card surcharge	E142070	OTHER PROPERTY & SERVICES:Administration Overheads:Other Adm	\$6.16
12-Jul-23	Spudshed	Incorrect use of company card - reimbursement receipt attached	L01217	#N/A	\$12.44
14-Jul-23	Starlink Australia	Depot Internet Service	E168517	Land and Buildings:At Cost:L & B Expenditure 2022-23:Office- Shire de	\$139.00
CARD 1 PAYMENTS					\$717.83

RAJINDER SUNNER		VINCENT FORDHAM LAMONT	
Cardholder Name	Cardholder Signed	Authorised By Name	Authorised By

DATE	PAYEE	DESCRIPTION	SOWA EXPENSE CODE	EXPENSE DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
2. CARD NUMBER 4336-XXXX-XXXX-1064					
30-Jun-23	Shire of West Arthur	Plant Licensing AW459 New Hitachi Tool Carrier L15	E144004	OTHER PROPERTY & SERVICES:Plant Cost Overheads:Plant Licensing	\$34.15
30-Jun-23	Shire of West Arthur	Plate change 1TYP872 to AW5264	E144004	OTHER PROPERTY & SERVICES:Plant Cost Overheads:Plant Licensing	\$18.50
30-Jun-23	Shire of West Arthur	AW459 Registration renewal to 30/6/24	E144004	OTHER PROPERTY & SERVICES:Plant Cost Overheads:Plant Licensing	\$270.40
10-Jul-23	Local Government Mt Hawthorn	Procurement Webinar	E143020	OTHER PROPERTY & SERVICES:Works Overheads:Training & Developm	\$50.00
10-Jul-23	BWS Liquor	Bill Sloan Farewell	E142070	OTHER PROPERTY & SERVICES:Administration Overheads:Other Adm	\$144.00
14-Jul-23	Hancock and Sons	Verge spraying accessories	E122081	TRANSPORT:Maintenance Rural:Verges	\$117.18
26-Jul-23	Bunnings	Pruners x 3	E144006	OTHER PROPERTY & SERVICES:Plant Cost Overheads:Parts & Repairs	\$100.83
CARD 2 PAYMENTS					\$735.06

GARY RASMUSSEN		VINCENT FORDHAM LAMONT	
Cardholder Name	Cardholder Signed	Authorised By Name	Authorised By

TOTAL NAB VISA CARD PAYMENTS 4336-XXXX-XXXX-7507 \$1,452.89

Date Due for Payment 22-Aug-23

I, Kylie Whitaker, Finance Officer have reviewed the NAB visa card payments and confirm that from the descriptions on the documentation provided that:

1. all transactions are expenses incurred by the Shire of West Arthur;
2. all purchases have been made in accordance with the Shire of West Arthur policies and procedures;
3. all purchases are in accordance with the Local Government Act 1995 and associated regulations;
4. no misuse of the corporate card is evident.

Kylie Whitaker:

DATE: 14 / 8 / 23



12.3 FINANCIAL REPORTS - AUGUST 2023

File Reference:	ADM339
Location:	N/A
Applicant:	N/A
Author:	Melinda King, Manager Financial Reporting
Authorising Officer:	Vin Fordham Lamont, Chief Executive Officer
Date:	21/09/2023
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Attachments:	1. Monthly Financial Report August 2023

SUMMARY:1

Council is requested to consider the financial reports for the period ending 31 August 2023.

BACKGROUND:

The financial reports for the period ending 31 August 2023 are included as attachments.

COMMENT:

If you have any questions regarding details in the financial reports, please contact the office prior to Council meeting so that sufficient time is given to research the request. This will enable the information to be provided at the Council meeting.

CONSULTATION:

Not required.

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT:

Regulation 34 (1) of the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996 states that a Local Government is to prepare each month a statement of financial activity reporting on the revenue and expenditure, as set out in the annual budget under regulation 22(1)(d), for the previous month (the relevant month) in the following detail —

- (a) annual budget estimates, taking into account any expenditure incurred for an additional purpose under section 6.8(1)(b) or (c); and
- (b) budget estimates to the end of the relevant month; and
- (c) actual amounts of expenditure, revenue and income to the end of the relevant month; and
- (d) material variances between the comparable amounts referred to in paragraphs (b) and (c); and
- (e) the net current assets at the end of the relevant month and a note containing a summary explaining the composition of the net current assets.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

Nil.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

There are no financial implications. Reported income and expenditure will be assessed by management as being consistent with the 2023/24 Annual Budget.

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS:

West Arthur Towards 2031

Theme: Leadership and Management

Outcome: Establish and maintain sound business and governance structures

Strategy: Ensure that the local community is provided with value for money through the prudent expenditure of rates

RISK IMPLICATIONS:

Risk management is the removal of uncertainty from business decisions. Risk is expressed in terms of likelihood it may occur and the consequences that may flow from it. The consequences may be positive or negative or simply a deviation from the expected. The risk or consequence may be related to health and safety; financial; business or service interruption; compliance; reputation; or the environment. **Reference to the risk matrix below will generate a risk rating by assessing the likelihood and consequence and multiplying these scores by each other.** The greater the risk rating, the greater the risk and the higher the need for specific plans to be developed. All items with a risk rating greater than 10 should be added to the Risk Register and specific controls developed.

Risk Themes:

A risk theme is the categorising of risk. For example, the collection of risks that represent compliance failure. The risk themes in the shire Risk Register include:

- Business Disruption
- Community Disruption
- IT or Communications Failure
- External Threat or Fraud
- Misconduct
- Inadequate safety or security practices
- Inadequate project or change management.
- Errors Omissions or Delays
- Inadequate Document Management Processes
- Inadequate supplier / contract management
- Providing inaccurate advice / information
- Ineffective Employment practices
- Compliance failure
- Inadequate asset management
- Inadequate engagement practices
- Ineffective facility or event management
- Inadequate environmental management

Risk Matrix:

Consequence Likelihood		Insignificant	Minor	Moderate	Major	Catastrophic
		1	2	3	4	5
Almost Certain	5	Medium (5)	High (10)	High (15)	Extreme (20)	Extreme (25)
Likely	4	Low (4)	Medium (8)	High (12)	High (16)	Extreme (25)
Possible	3	Low (3)	Medium (6)	Medium (9)	High (12)	High (15)
Unlikely	2	Low (2)	Low (4)	Medium (6)	Medium (8)	High (10)
Rare	1	Low (1)	Low (2)	Low (3)	Low (4)	Medium (5)

Description of Key Risk	Not preparing monthly financial statement which affects Council's ability to oversee the Shire's financial management.
Risk Likelihood (based on history and with existing controls)	Rare (1)
Risk Consequence	Minor (2)
Risk Rating (Prior to Treatment or Control): Likelihood x Consequence	Low (2)
Principal Risk Theme	Compliance failure
Risk Action Plan (Controls or Treatment Proposed)	Prepare monthly financial statement for Council

VOTING REQUIREMENTS:

Simple Majority

RESOLUTION CO-2023-103

Moved: Cr Robyn Lubcke

Seconded: Cr Neil Manuel

That Council accepts the financial reports for the period ending 31 August 2023 as presented.

In Favour: Crs Neil Morrell, Graeme Peirce, Karen Harrington, Robyn Lubcke, Neil Manuel, Duncan South and Adam Squires

Against: Nil

CARRIED 7/0

**SHIRE OF WEST ARTHUR
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY
(By Nature or Type)
For the Period Ended 31 August 2023**

	Note	Annual Budget 2023/2024	YTD Budget (a)	YTD Actual (b)	Var. \$ (b)-(a)	Var. % (b)-(a)/(a)	Var.
		\$	\$	\$	\$	%	
Opening Funding Surplus (Deficit)	2	1,688,686	1,688,686	1,688,686	0	0%	
Revenue from operating activities							
Rates		1,998,156	0	0	0		
Operating Grants, Subsidies and Contributions	6	417,215	187,617	187,617	1	0%	
Fees and Charges		336,840	52,110	43,491	(8,619)	(17%)	
Interest Earnings		201,900	3,500	3,458	(42)	(1%)	
Other Revenue		109,470	18,245	18,342	97	1%	
Profit on Disposal of Assets		11,124	0	0	0		
		3,074,705	261,472	252,908	(8,564)		
Expenditure from operating activities							
Employee Costs		(2,169,272)	(454,723)	(452,022)	2,701	1%	
Less overhead and wage allocations			500	838	338		
Materials and Contracts		(1,416,780)	(236,130)	(221,891)	14,239	6%	
less Pdepn and POC allocations			115	193	78		
Utility Charges		(118,152)	(19,692)	(13,694)	5,998	30%	
Depreciation on Non-Current Assets		(2,269,487)	(104,757)	(108,428)	(3,671)	(4%)	
Interest Expenses		(27,016)	0	0	0		
Insurance Expenses		(130,039)	(65,020)	(61,019)	4,001	6%	
Other Expenditure		(65,800)	0	0	0		
Loss on Disposal of Assets		(5,034)	0	0	0		
		(6,201,580)	(879,706)	(856,023)	23,683	(63437100%)	
Operating activities excluded from budget							
Add back Depreciation		2,269,487	104,757	108,428	3,671	4%	
Adjust (Profit)/Loss on Asset Disposal		(6,090)	0	0	0		
Adjust Provisions and Accruals		0	(55,414)	(55,414)	0	0%	
Amount attributable to operating activities		(863,478)	(568,892)	(550,101)	18,791		
Investing activities							
Grants, Subsidies and Contributions	6	1,310,628	10,786	10,786	0	0%	
Proceeds from Disposal of Assets		125,000	0	0	0		
Land and Buildings	7	(751,620)	(35,000)	(33,591)	1,409	4%	
Infrastructure Assets - Roads	7	(1,153,551)	(20,000)	(18,798)	1,202	6%	
Infrastructure Assets - Other	7	(410,694)	(3,000)	(2,582)	418	14%	▲
Plant and Equipment	7	(479,751)	0	0	0		
Furniture and Equipment	7	(188,000)	0	0	0		
Amount attributable to investing activities		(1,547,988)	(47,214)	(44,185)	3,029		
Financing Activities							
Proceeds from Self Supporting Loan - repayments		30,007	0	0	0		
Transfer from Reserves	5	1,146,546	0	0	0		
Repayment of Debentures		(125,119)	0	0	0		
Proceeds from new borrowings		150,000	0	0	0		
Transfer to Reserves	5	(478,654)	(1,000)	(918)	82	8%	
Amount attributable to financing activities		722,780	(1,000)	(918)	82		
					0		
Closing Funding Surplus (Deficit)	2	0	1,071,580	1,093,482	21,902	2%	

Indicates a variance between Year to Date (YTD) Budget and YTD Actual data as per the adopted materiality threshold. Refer to Note 1 for an explanation of the reasons for the variance.

This statement is to be read in conjunction with the accompanying Financial Statements and notes.

SHIRE OF WEST ARTHUR
NOTES TO THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY
For the Period Ended 31 August 2023

Note 1: Explanation of Material Variances

The material variance thresholds are adopted annually by Council as an indicator of whether the actual expenditure or revenue varies from the year to date budget materially.
 The material variance adopted by Council for the 2023/24 year is \$10,000 or 10% whichever is the greater.

There is no reportable variance to 31 August 2023

Note 2: Net Current Funding Position

Positive=Surplus (Negative=Deficit)

	Note	Last Years Closing 30 June 2023	Current 31 Aug 2023
		\$	\$
Current Assets			
Cash Unrestricted	3	1,495,055	777,044
Cash Restricted - reserves	5	2,754,878	2,755,796
Cash Restricted - unspent grants		7,336	260,572
Receivables - Rates	4	171,493	164,430
Receivables - Other	4	154,310	264,500
Inventories		14,985	14,986
		4,598,057	4,237,328
Less: Current Liabilities			
Payables		(147,157)	(127,478)
Unspent grants, contributions and reimbursements		(7,336)	(260,572)
		(154,493)	(388,050)
Less: Cash Reserves	5	(2,754,878)	(2,755,796)
Net Current Funding Position		1,688,686	1,093,482

**SHIRE OF WEST ARTHUR
NOTES TO THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY
For the Period Ended 31 August 2023**

Note 3: Cash and Investments

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Trust	Total Amount	Institution	Interest Rate	Maturity Date
	\$	\$	\$	\$			
(a) Cash Deposits							
Municipal Bank Account	487,516			487,516	NAB	0.01%	At Call
Municipal Cash Maximiser	50,000			50,000	NAB	1.35%	At Call
Trust Bank Account			68,522	68,522	NAB	0.01%	At Call
Trust Cash Maximiser			5,269	5,269	NAB	1.35%	At Call
Reserve Cash Maximiser		155,796		155,796	NAB	1.35%	At Call
(b) Term Deposits							
Municipal term deposit	500,000			500,000	NAB	5.00%	4/10/2023
Reserve term deposit		600,000		600,000	NAB	5.38%	2/02/2024
Reserve term deposit		2,000,000		2,000,000	BOQ	5.55%	10/02/2024
Total	1,037,516	2,755,796	73,791	3,867,103			

SHIRE OF WEST ARTHUR
NOTES TO THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY
For the Period Ended 31 August 2023

Note 4: Receivables

Receivables - Rates Receivable	31 Aug 2023	30 June 2023	Receivables - General	Current	30 Days	60 Days	90+ Days	Total
	\$	\$		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Opening Arrears Previous Years	244,351	200,216	Receivables - General	193,867	61,942	1,911	6,780	264,500
Levied this year (incl rubbish, interest & ESL)	12,160	2,014,840						
Less Collections to date	(21,588)	(1,970,705)	Balance per Trial Balance					
Equals Current Outstanding	234,923	244,351	Sundry Debtors					0
Add paid in advance	12,848	10,483	Receivables - Other					0
Net Rates Collectable	247,771	254,834	Total Receivables General Outstanding					264,500
% Collected	8.42%	90.79%						
Less Recognised as doubtful	(83,341)	(83,341)	Amounts shown above include GST (where applicable)					

**SHIRE OF WEST ARTHUR
NOTES TO THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY
For the Period Ended 31 August 2023**

Note 5: Cash Backed Reserve

Name	Opening Balance	Budget Interest Earned	Actual Interest Earned	Budget Transfers In (+)	Actual Transfers In (+)	Budget Transfers Out (-)	Actual Transfers Out (-)	Budget Closing Balance	Actual YTD Closing Balance
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Leave Reserve	125,105	5,972	42	0	0	0	0	131,077	125,147
Plant Reserve	556,751	26,576	186	300,000	0	(376,926)	0	506,401	556,937
Building Reserve	691,759	33,021	231	0	0	(694,620)	0	30,160	691,990
Town Development Reserve	1,578	75	1	0	0	0	0	1,653	1,579
Recreation Reserve	168,617	8,049	56	0	0	0	0	176,666	168,673
Heritage Reserve	6,563	313	2	150	0	0	0	7,026	6,565
Community Housing Reserve	191,208	9,127	64	1,000	0	(1,000)	0	200,335	191,272
Waste Management Reserve	117,002	5,585	39	0	0	(35,000)	0	87,587	117,041
Darkan Swimming Pool Reserve	55,826	2,665	19	5,000	0	0	0	63,491	55,845
Information Technology Reserve	57,723	2,755	19	0	0	(25,000)	0	35,478	57,742
Darkan Sport and Community Centre Reserve	184,875	8,825	62	30,000	0	0	0	223,700	184,937
Arthur River Country Club Renewal Reserve	47,461	2,266	16	6,000	0	0	0	55,727	47,477
Museum Reserve	132,904	6,344	44	0	0	(5,000)	0	134,248	132,948
Moodiarrup Sports Club Reserve	22,156	1,058	7	5,000	0	0	0	28,214	22,163
Landcare Reserve	29,067	1,388	10	0	0	(5,000)	0	25,455	29,077
Corporate Planning and Valuation Reserve	4,596	219	2	0	0	0	0	4,815	4,598
Kids Central Members Reserve	7,088	338	2	0	0	(2,000)	0	5,426	7,090
The Shed Reserve	13,103	625	4	0	0	0	0	13,728	13,107
Recreation Trails Reserve	1,258	60	0	0	0	0	0	1,318	1,258
Community Gym Reserve	8,558	409	3	0	0	(2,000)	0	6,967	8,561
Economic Development Reserve	89,885	4,291	30	0	0	0	0	94,176	89,915
Road Reserve	241,795	11,542	81	0	0	0	0	253,337	241,876
	2,754,878	131,504	918	347,150	0	(1,146,546)	0	2,086,986	2,755,796

Note: Reserve transfers are generally completed at year end unless funds are required sooner.

**SHIRE OF WEST ARTHUR
NOTES TO THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY
For the Period Ended 31 August 2023**

Note 6: Grants and Contributions	Grant Provider	Type	Opening Balance (a)	Budget Operating (b)	Capital (c)	YTD Actual Revenue (f)	(Expended) (g)	Unspent Grant (a)+(f)-(g)	Comment
General Purpose Funding									
	Grants Commission - General	WALGGC - General Purpose Grant	0	\$ 30,911	\$ 0	\$ 7,728	\$ 0	\$ 0	
	Grants Commission - Roads	WALGGC - Local Roads Grant	0	32,595	0	8,149	0	0	
Law, Order and Public Safety									
	FESA Grant - Operating Bush Fire Brigade	Dept. of Fire & Emergency Services	0	51,112	0	12,778	(12,778)	0	
	FESA Grant - Trailers	Dept. of Fire & Emergency Services	0	0	27,825	0	0	0	
		Dept. of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional							
	Federal Road & Community Infrastructure - Phase 4	Development and Communications	0	0	10,000	0	0	0	
Recreation and Culture									
	Hillman Reserve Walk Trail	DLGSC	0	0	6,750	6,750	(2,470)	4,280	
		Dept. of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional							
	Federal Road & Community Infrastructure - Phase 4	Development and Communications	0	0	371,382	0	0	0	
	Federal Road & Community Infrastructure - Phase 3	Dept. of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional							
	Operating grant	Development and Communications	0	34,644	0	0	0	0	
		Campervan & Motorhome Club of Aust Ltd - Dump							
	Dump point grant	Point	0	0	1,695	0	0	0	
	Other small grants - events			2,600	0	586	(586)	0	
Transport									
	Roads To Recovery Grant - Cap	Roads to Recovery	0	0	320,264	0	0	0	
	RRG Grants - Capital Projects	Regional Road Group	0	0	368,788	176,266	(8,316)	167,950	
	Direct Grant	Main Roads - Direct Grant	0	158,376	0	158,376	0	0	
		Dept. of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional							
	Federal Road & Community Infrastructure - Phase 4	Development and Communications	0	0	196,829	0	0	0	
Economic Development									
	EV Charging	Dep of Mines, Industry Regulation & Safety	0	0	7,095	0	0	0	
	Economic/Business Diversification	Foundation for Rural Regional Renewal	0	106,437	0	88,342	0	88,342	
TOTALS			0	416,675	1,310,628	458,975	(24,150)	260,572	
SUMMARY									
	Operating	Operating Grants, Subsidies and Contributions	0	259,126	0	174,839	(586)	0	
	Operating - Tied	Tied - Operating Grants, Subsidies and Contributions	0	51,112	0	101,120	(12,778)	88,342	
	Non-operating	Non-operating Grants, Subsidies and Contributions	0	0	1,310,628	183,016	(10,786)	172,230	
TOTALS			0	310,238	1,310,628	458,975	(24,150)	260,572	

SHIRE OF WEST ARTHUR
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Note 7: Capital Acquisitions

Assets	Account	YTD Actual			Budget			Variance	Comment
		Wages and Plant	Materials and Contractors	Total YTD	Wages and Plant	Materials and Contractors	Total Budget	Total YTD to Budget	
		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$		
Furniture									
Other Property & Services									
	New ERP and EDRMS	0	0	0	0	(175,000)	(175,000)	175,000	
	CCTV System - Railway Reserve	0	0	0	0	(13,000)	(13,000)	13,000	
	Furniture Total	0	0	0	0	(188,000)	(188,000)	188,000	
Land and Buildings									
Law, Order and Public Safety									
Housing									
	Burrowes Street West - subdivision	0	0	0	0	(43,500)	(43,500)	43,500	
	Land Acquisition and Development	0	0	0	0	(41,120)	(41,120)	41,120	
	4WDL Key worker housing	0	0	0	0	(6,500)	(6,500)	6,500	
	Industrial Land Growden Place headworks, elec, survey	0	(7,083)	(7,083)	0	(36,000)	(36,000)	28,917	
Other Property & Services									
	Staff housing improvements/renovations	0	0	0	0	(90,000)	(90,000)	90,000	
	New staff house	(28)	(26,481)	(26,509)	(9,500)	(500,000)	(509,500)	482,991	
	Record Storage - Shire Depot	0	0	0	0	(25,000)	(25,000)	25,000	
	Buildings Total	(28)	(33,564)	(33,592)	(9,500)	(742,120)	(751,620)	718,028	
Infrastructure									
Recreation And Culture									
	Hillman Reserve Walk trail	0	(2,470)	(2,470)	(4,220)	(9,297)	(13,517)	11,047	
	New playground equipment	(112)	0	(112)	(15,700)	(124,300)	(140,000)	139,888	
	Lake Towerrinning easement	0	0	0	0	(22,800)	(22,800)	22,800	
	Access track - Hillman Reserve	0	0	0	(70,655)	(99,345)	(170,000)	170,000	
Economic Development									
	EV charging station	0	0	0	(3,300)	(13,000)	(16,300)	16,300	
	Unallocated LRCI project	0	0	0	0	(48,077)	(48,077)	48,077	
	Infrastructure Total	(112)	(2,470)	(2,582)	(93,875)	(316,819)	(410,694)	408,112	
Plant , Equip. & Vehicles									
Transport									
	Kubota Skid Steer	0	0	0	0	(160,000)	(160,000)	160,000	
	Gardener's Truck	0	0	0	0	(70,000)	(70,000)	70,000	
	Rotary Axe Slasher	0	0	0	0	(28,000)	(28,000)	28,000	
	2016 Holden Rodeo Grader Ute	0	0	0	0	(35,000)	(35,000)	35,000	
	Works Manager Ute	0	0	0	0	(53,000)	(53,000)	53,000	
	New compressor for workshop	0	0	0	0	(11,379)	(11,379)	11,379	
	Workshop Mobile Column Hoist	0	0	0	0	(43,900)	(43,900)	43,900	
	Workshop Scan Tools	0	0	0	0	(14,541)	(14,541)	14,541	
	Oil Reels, Pumps and Bulk Waist Oil	0	0	0	0	(23,106)	(23,106)	23,106	
	Depot Oil Storage	0	0	0	0	(13,000)	(13,000)	13,000	
	3 x Fast Fill Trailer for Bush Fire Brigades	0	0	0	0	(27,825)	(27,825)	27,825	
	Plant, Equip & Vehicles Total	0	0	0	0	(479,751)	(479,751)	479,751	

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Note 7: Capital Acquisitions

Assets	Account	YTD Actual			Budget			Variance	Comment
		Wages and Plant	Materials and Contractors	Total YTD	Wages and Plant	Materials and Contractors	Total Budget	Total YTD to Budget	
		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$		
Roads									
Regional Road Group									
Boyup Brook Arthur Road		0	(8,316)	(8,316)	(271,818)	(134,244)	(406,062)	397,746	
Darkan Williams Road		0	0	0	(105,524)	(42,406)	(147,930)	147,930	
Regional Road Group Total		0	(8,316)	(8,316)	(377,342)	(176,650)	(553,992)	545,676	
Roads to Recovery									
Cordering North Road		(891)	(9,590)	(10,481)	(164,573)	(81,424)	(245,997)	235,516	
Beaufort road		0	0	0	(68,586)	(6,317)	(74,903)	74,903	
Roads to Recovery Total		(891)	(9,590)	(10,481)	(233,159)	(87,741)	(320,900)	310,419	
LRCI									
Clarke Road		0	0	0	(121,986)	(31,343)	(153,329)	153,329	
Darkan South		0	0	0	0	(43,500)	(43,500)	43,500	
Roads to Recovery Total		0	0	0	(121,986)	(74,843)	(196,829)	196,829	
Shire Funded									
Old tennis court - removal		0	0	0	(18,839)	(2,000)	(20,839)	20,839 Classify as infrastructure - Other	
Caravan park intersection		0	0	0	(991)	(10,000)	(10,991)	10,991 Classify as infrastructure - Other	
Landfill management		0	0	0	0	(35,000)	(35,000)	35,000 Classify as infrastructure - Other	
Grant Funded projects									
Dump point - information bay		0	0	0	(7,050)	(7,950)	(15,000)	15,000 Classify as infrastructure - Other	
Shire Funded Total		0	0	0	(26,880)	(54,950)	(81,830)	81,830	
Roads Total		(891)	(17,906)	(18,797)	(759,367)	(394,184)	(1,153,551)	1,134,754	
Capital Expenditure Total		(1,031)	(53,940)	(54,971)	(862,742)	(2,120,874)	(2,983,616)	2,928,645	

13 WORKS AND SERVICES

Nil

14 REGULATORY SERVICES**14.1 LOT 247 KING STREET, DARKAN - SEA CONTAINER**

File Reference:	A2675
Author:	Geoffrey Lush, Planning Consultant
Authorising Officer:	Vin Fordham Lamont, Chief Executive Officer
Date:	18/09/2023
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Location:	Lot 247 (#7) King Street, Darkan
Applicant:	S Paul
Owner:	S Paul
Proposal:	Retrospective development application
Attachments:	1. Site Photographs - Lot 247 King Street ↓

SUMMARY:

Council is requested to consider a retrospective development application for a sea container (outbuilding) on a vacant residential lot. The options for Council to consider are:

1. Refuse the application.
2. Approve the application, requiring the sea container to be relocated behind the prescribed front building setback;
3. Approve the application; and/or
4. Prosecute the applicant for commencing development without an approval.

The application is not supported in its current location as it does not comply with the prescribed boundary setbacks. It will detract from the streetscape and the visual amenity of residents contrary to R-Code Design Principle for outbuildings.

Approval of the application should require:

- The sea container to be relocated behind the front building setback; and
- Its removal if no building permit for a dwelling issued within a prescribed period.

BACKGROUND:

The application is for a sea container being 13m by 2.5m (32.5sqm) to be used for storage purposes. The sea container has already been placed on the property and has a front and side setback of 0m. Photographs of the container are contained in Attachment 1.

The subject land has an area of 1,012sqm and is vacant with some remnant vegetation.

The adjacent lots are also vacant, while there is an existing dwelling on the nearby Lot 249. Council has also approved a dwelling being developed on the adjacent Lot 246.

COMMENT:

Local Precedents

The following is a summary of previous decisions made by Council in relation to outbuildings and boundary setbacks:

- 21 Arthur Street February 2020, Council refused an application for a free standing carport to be setback 2.2m from the front boundary. It issued an approval requiring this to be setback 3.75m from the front boundary, being the minimum setback provided for in the R Codes.

- 16 Jarrah Street 2017 approval was issued for a sea container on a vacant residential lot.
Bowelling

- 14 Jarrah Street October 2022, Council issued a retrospective approval of a sea container on a vacant residential lot. It is noted that in July 2022 Council had approved a new dwelling being constructed on the property.
Bowelling

- 59 Hillman Street April 2023, Council refused an application for a 108sqm outbuilding on land where there was no dwelling. This was on the grounds that in the absence of a dwelling being constructed, or approved to be constructed, on the property the building is classified as “storage” under Local Planning Scheme No 2 which is a prohibited use in the Residential zone.

- Lot 134 Coalfields May 2023, Council approved a sea container on a vacant rural Highway residential lot (1.5615 ha) to be used for storage associated with horse keeping.

Suitability

The design principle and deemed-to-comply requirements of the R Codes relating to outbuildings are intended to protect the streetscape and visual amenity by requiring outbuildings to have a relatively small floor area, be low in height, and to be located away from view.

Despite there not being a dwelling on the site, the following is a summary of application in relation to the Deemed-to-comply provisions of the R – Codes:

(i)	Does not exceed 60sqm in area or 10 per cent of the site area (being 101sqm) whichever is the lesser.	Complies The sea container has an area of 32.5sqm.
(ii)	Shall be set back 1.0m from the boundary where the wall height is less than 3.5m and the wall length is 12m.	Does not comply The container will have a wall length of 13m and is proposed to be located on the side boundary.
(iii)	Does not exceed a wall height of 2.4m	Complies as the wall height is 2.4m.
(iv)	Does not exceed a ridge height of 4.2m.	Complies as the roof height is 2.4m.
(v)	Is not located within the primary or secondary street setback area.	Does not comply The container will be located at the front of the property within the primary setback distance of 7.5m.
(vi)	Does not reduce the requirement for 55% of the site to be open space and outdoor living areas.	Complies as it only occupies 3.2% of the site area.

The above non-compliance means that a development application is required and the principal issues are:

1. The location of the sea container.
2. The potential impact of the sea container on the local amenity and streetscape; and
3. Approval of the sea container on a vacant lot.

The proposed location of the sea container is not appropriate and no justification has been given for it not being located in accordance with the R-Codes and Scheme setbacks being 7.5m from the front boundary and 1m from the side boundary. While the R-Codes provide that garages and carports can potentially have the front setback reduced by up to 50%, this does not apply to outbuildings.

In its current position the sea container is highly visible and will be detrimental to the streetscape and visual amenity of the area. As a minimum requirement, it should be setback behind the building line and be painted or screened from view.

The potential approval of an outbuilding on a vacant residential lot will be addressed in the proposed Local Planning Policy (refer to Policy Implications). This could be subject to several considerations or conditions such as:

- The size of the outbuilding not exceeding 60sqm in area or 10 per cent of the site area whichever is the lesser;
- The outbuilding not being located within the primary or secondary street setback area;
- Approval having been issued for a dwelling.

Retrospective Approval and Statutory Enforcement

Pursuant to Section 218 of the Planning and Development Act a person who commences, continues or carries out any development otherwise than in accordance with the provisions of the planning scheme commits an offence.

The Planning and Development Act also provides for a number of options in relation to addressing this including:

- 1 The responsible authority may give a written direction to the owner or any other person who undertook the development —
 - (a) to remove, pull down, take up, or alter the development; and
 - (b) to restore the land as nearly as practicable to its condition immediately before the development started, to the satisfaction of the responsible authority; or
- 2 The responsible authority may itself remove, pull down, take up or alter the development, restore the land as nearly as practicable to its condition immediately before the development started, or execute that work, as it directed that person.
- 3 Issuing a retrospective approval under Section 164.

Section 164 of the Planning and Development Act provides that:

- (1) A responsible authority may grant its approval under a planning scheme or interim development order for development already commenced or carried out.
- (4) Development which was unlawfully commenced or carried out is not rendered lawful by the occurrence of any subsequent event except the approval by the relevant responsible authority of that development.

A planning approval issued under Section 164 only approves the development from the date of the approval and it does not approve from the date of its establishment. In the period prior to the approval, the development may be considered illegal. Despite being approved, a person can still be prosecuted for commencing the development.

CONSULTATION:

The application has been advertised to the adjacent property owners and no submissions have been received.

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT:Local Planning Scheme No 2

The subject land is zoned Residential R12.5 in the Scheme and the objectives of the Residential zone are:

- to provide for the predominant form of residential development to be single houses.
- to provide for diversity of lifestyle choice with a range of dwelling types.
- to achieve a high standard of residential development.
- to allow for the establishment of non-residential uses which are compatible with the predominant residential use and which will not adversely affect local amenities.

The development setbacks for buildings are as follows:

- Primary street 7.5m;
- Secondary street 2.0m; and
- Rear 6.0m.

Clause 5.2.2 states that unless otherwise provided for in the Scheme, the development of land for any of the residential purposes is to conform to the provisions of the Residential Design Codes (R-Codes).

Clause 5.5 allows Council to vary the site and development provisions of the Scheme, except development that is subject to the R-Codes.

State Planning Policy 7.3 Residential Design Codes (R Codes).

The R Codes define an outbuilding as an enclosed non-habitable structure that is detached from any dwelling. Clause 5.4.3 of the R-Codes sets out the outbuildings design principle and deemed-to-comply requirements.

The Deemed-to-comply provisions stipulate that any outbuildings larger than 10sqm shall:

- (i) individually or collectively does not exceed 60m² in area or 10 per cent in aggregate of the site area, whichever is the lesser;
- (ii) shall be set back 1.0m from the boundary where the wall height is less than 3.5m and the wall length is 12m;
- (iii) does not exceed a wall height of 2.4m;
- (iv) does not exceed a ridge height of 4.2m;
- (v) not located within the primary or secondary street setback area; and
- (vi) does not reduce the requirement for 55% of the site to be open space and outdoor living areas.

Where an outbuilding complies with the above it does not need a planning approval. Where it does not comply with the above, Council has discretion to approve or to refuse the development.

State Planning Policy 3.7 Planning in Bushfire Prone Areas

The subject land is not designated as being bushfire prone and SPP 3.7 does not apply.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

Council at its Meeting in April 2023 also resolved that a Local Planning Policy be prepared to address the development of domestic outbuildings on vacant land. Following the consideration of the Scheme Review this LPP is being prepared to consider outbuildings more generally on both vacant and developed residential land.

The draft Local Planning Policy will have regard to the Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage's factsheet on outbuildings which notes the following:

- It uses the term "outbuilding" where the R-Codes apply, and "sheds" in other circumstances.
- An outbuilding is defined by the R-Codes as "an enclosed non-habitable structure that is detached from any dwelling." Based on this definition, an outbuilding requires a dwelling.
- A shed with no dwelling and no other associated land use would be best described as 'warehouse / storage' as defined in the Regulations. A shed structure is not an outbuilding if it is proposed on a lot without a dwelling.
- An outbuilding may be part of a development proposal that includes a dwelling, with the outbuilding intended to be constructed first, to store the materials/equipment for the dwelling construction.

As a shipping container is a structure that is typically enclosed and not used for habitable purposes, it falls within the definition of an outbuilding.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

The prescribed planning application fee for a retrospective application is three times the normal fee, however Council has not imposed this previously. The standard fee for this application is \$147.

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS:

The Shire's Strategic Community Plan Towards 2031 and Corporate Business Plan 2021 – 2025 under Built Environment Outcome 4.4 – Appropriate planning and development

- Implement the town planning scheme and policies to ensure any planning and development is appropriate through the Shire

RISK IMPLICATIONS:

Risk management is the removal of uncertainty from business decisions. Risk is expressed in terms of likelihood it may occur and the consequences that may flow from it. The consequences may be positive or negative or simply a deviation from the expected. The risk or consequence may be related to health and safety; financial; business or service interruption; compliance; reputation; or the environment. ***Reference to the risk matrix below will generate a risk rating by assessing the likelihood and consequence and multiplying these scores by each other.*** The greater the risk rating, the greater the risk and the higher the need for specific plans to be developed. All items with a risk rating greater than 10 should be added to the Risk Register and specific controls developed.

Risk Themes:

A risk theme is the categorising of risk. For example, the collection of risks that represent compliance failure. The risk themes in the shire Risk Register include:

- Business Disruption
- Community Disruption
- IT or Communications Failure
- External Threat or Fraud
- Misconduct
- Inadequate safety or security practices
- Inadequate project or change management

- Errors Omissions or Delays
- Inadequate Document Management Processes
- Inadequate supplier / contract management
- Providing inaccurate advice / information
- Ineffective Employment practices
- Compliance failure
- Inadequate asset management
- Inadequate engagement practices
- Ineffective facility or event management
- Inadequate environmental management

Risk Matrix:

Consequence		Insignificant	Minor	Moderate	Significant	Severe
Likelihood		1	2	3	4	5
Almost Certain	5	Medium (5)	High (10)	High (15)	Extreme (20)	Extreme (25)
Likely	4	Low (4)	Medium (8)	High (12)	High (16)	Extreme (20)
Possible	3	Low (3)	Medium (6)	Medium (9)	High (12)	High (15)
Unlikely	2	Low (2)	Low (4)	Medium (6)	Medium (8)	High (10)
Rare	1	Low (1)	Low (2)	Low (3)	Low (4)	Medium (5)

Description of Key Risk	Detrimental effect on streetscape and visual enmity of the area
Risk Likelihood (based on history and with existing controls)	Rare (1) The event may only occur in exceptional circumstances
Risk Consequence	Significant (4) Non-compliance results in termination of services / approval or imposed penalties
Risk Rating (Prior to Treatment or Control): Likelihood x Consequence	Low (4)
Principal Risk Theme	Compliance Failure
Risk Action Plan (Controls or Treatment Proposed)	Ensure compliance with conditions of approval and other applicable Regulations.

VOTING REQUIREMENTS:

Simple Majority

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION:

- A. That Council approves the use and development of Lot 247 (#7) DP210290 King Street, Darkan, Darkan for an outbuilding (sea container) subject to compliance with the following conditions:
1. The sea container shall be relocated to be more than 7.5m from the front boundary and 1.0m from a side boundary.
 2. A site plan drawn to scale, showing the revised location of the sea shall be submitted to, and approved by Council.
 3. The sea container shall be painted and / or screened to the requirements and satisfaction of the Responsible Authority.
 4. That the sea container shall be removed from the site if a building permit is not issued for a dwelling within 12 months of the date hereof.

5. Any use, additions to and further intensification of any part of the building or land (not the subject of this consent) shall be subject to a further development application and consent for that use.
6. The site shall be so ordered and maintained as not to prejudicially affect the amenity of the locality by reason of appearance.
7. The building hereby permitted shall not be used for any commercial or industrial purposes.
8. The building hereby permitted shall not be used for human habitation.

OR

- B. That Council refuse the use and development of Lot 247 (#7) DP210290 King Street, Darkan for an outbuilding on the following grounds:
1. That the sea container will prejudicially affect the amenity of the location and streetscape values.

RESOLUTION CO-2023-104

Moved: Cr Graeme Peirce
Seconded: Cr Karen Harrington

- A. That Council approves the use and development of Lot 247 (#7) DP210290 King Street, Darkan, Darkan for an outbuilding (sea container) subject to compliance with the following conditions:
1. The sea container shall be relocated to be more than 7.5m from the front boundary and 1.0m from a side boundary within 90 days of the date hereof.
 2. A site plan drawn to scale, showing the revised location of the sea shall be submitted to, and approved by Council within 90 days of the date hereof.
 3. The sea container shall be painted and / or screened to the requirements and satisfaction of the Responsible Authority within of the date hereof.
 4. That the sea container shall be removed from the site if a building permit is not issued for a dwelling within 12 months of the date hereof.
 5. Any use, additions to and further intensification of any part of the building or land (not the subject of this consent) shall be subject to a further development application and consent for that use.
 6. The site shall be so ordered and maintained as not to prejudicially affect the amenity of the locality by reason of appearance.
 7. The building hereby permitted shall not be used for any commercial or industrial purposes.
 8. The building hereby permitted shall not be used for human habitation.

In Favour: Crs Neil Morrell, Graeme Peirce, Karen Harrington, Robyn Lubcke, Neil Manuel, Duncan South and Adam Squires

Against: Nil

CARRIED 7/0

Cr Manuel suggested slightly amending points A1 to A3 to ensure work is completed in an appropriate timeframe.

Attachment 1 – Site Photos



At 8.10 pm, Cr Robyn Lubcke left the meeting.

14.2 WELLINGTON SPECIAL CONTROL AREA

File Reference:	ADM206
Author:	Geoffrey Lush, Planning Consultant
Authorising Officer:	Vin Fordham Lamont, Chief Executive Officer
Date:	18/09/2023
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Location:	Shire of West Arthur
Applicant:	N/A
Owner:	N/A
Proposal:	N/A
Attachments:	1. Draft Local Planning Policy No. 4 ↓

SUMMARY:

Council is requested to consider the adoption and advertising of a draft Local Planning Policy to streamline the processing of development applications within the Wellington Reservoir Catchment Special Control Area of the Scheme.

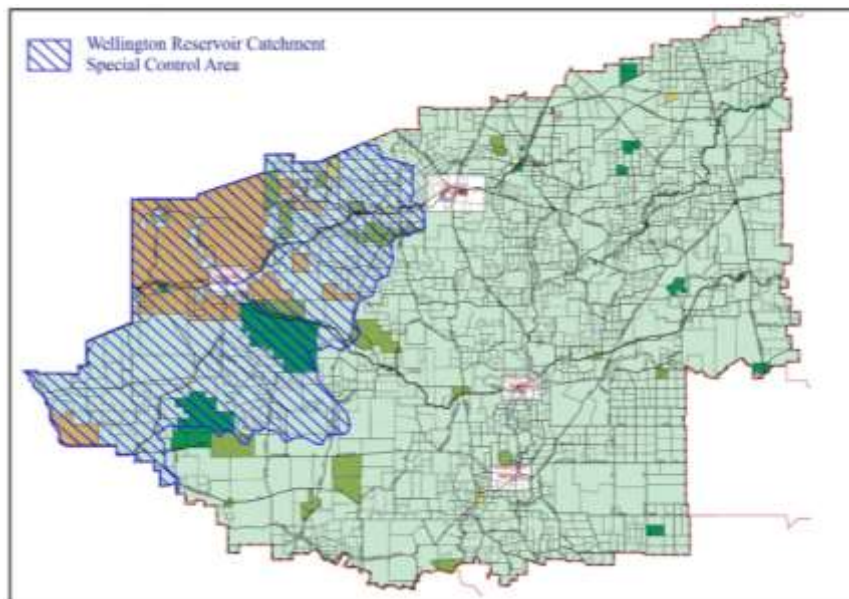
BACKGROUND:

The Wellington Reservoir catchment is gazetted under the Country Areas Water Source Supply (CAWS) Act 1947. The catchment is no longer a Public Drinking Water Source Area (PDWSA) and the constraints relating to land uses and activities to protect drinking water no longer apply. However, the clearing of native vegetation in the catchment is still restricted in order to prevent further salinisation of water resources.

Clause 6.2. of the Scheme contains provisions relating to the Wellington Reservoir Catchment Special Control Area. It stipulates that:

- Planning approval is required for all development including a single house; and
- All applications are to be referred to the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation (DWER) and the local government is to have due regard to recommendations/advice received from the Department when determining applications.

The Special Control Area covers the western portion of the Shire as shown below.

**COMMENT:**

The purpose of the Special Control Areas is to prevent the pollution of water within the special control area by:

- Avoiding development of land that could cause surface water pollution; and
- Maintain or restore water quality to potable levels.

The Deemed Provisions (Local Planning Scheme Regulations) require that DWER has 42 days to reply to any referral of a development application within the Special Control Area. For comparison the minimum advertising period of an application to landowners is 14 days.

The Department has been advising that:

1. There is no general objection to residential development in the Wellington Catchment,
2. Referral is a matter of judgement and the legalities of the Local Planning Scheme, and
3. Clearing of native vegetation and/or interference with waterways are flags for referral.

DWER has confirmed that a referral of applications for single dwellings and farm sheds would appear unnecessary, where:

- There is no clearing of native vegetation; and
- The development is appropriately setback from any defined water course.

The State Government's planning reform package is seeking to streamline development applications and approvals where ever possible. It is also acknowledged that in the review of the Local Planning Scheme, that Clause 6.2 is likely to be revised.

Draft Local Planning Policy No 4 Wellington Catchment reflecting the above is contained in Attachment 1.

In addition to the Local Planning Policy, it is also proposed to amend the delegation powers to the CEO to provide for the approval of applications, which if the site was not located in the Special Control Area that:

- No development application would be required; and/or
- Such an application is already delegated.

This would specifically apply to:

- a) Single dwellings which elsewhere are a (P) permitted use in the Rural zone; and
- b) Farm sheds which elsewhere do not need an approval when they comply with LPP No 2 Rural Sheds.

CONSULTATION:

A draft Local Planning Policy is required to be advertised for a minimum period of 21 days by:

- A notice in the local community newspaper;
- Notification to all the affected landowners; and
- Publication on the Shire web site.

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT:Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015

The provisions for the preparation and adoption of a Local Planning Policy are contained in Clause 3 – 6 of Division 2, Schedule 2 (Deemed Provisions) of the Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015.

Local Planning Scheme No 2

Clause 6.2 Wellington Reservoir Catchment Special Control Area states:

6.2.1 Purposes

- (a) To avoid development of land that could cause surface water pollution.
- (b) To maintain or restore water quality to potable levels.

6.2.2 Application Requirements

Despite the provisions of clause 8.2, planning approval is required for all development including a single house.

6.2.3 Relevant Considerations

The Department of Environment administers by-laws to regulate land use and development within a proclaimed area; within the Wellington Reservoir Catchment native vegetation may only be cleared under the conditions of a license issued by the Department of Environment.

6.2.4 Referral of Applications

All applications for planning approval are to be referred to the Department of Environment and the local government is to have due regard to recommendations/advice received from the Department of Environment when determining applications.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

The development of Local Planning Policies is a recognised planning tool to assist in the administration of the Local Planning Scheme.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

None.

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS:

Shire of West Arthur's Strategic Community Plan Towards 2031 and Corporate Business Plan 2021 – 2025 Outcome 4.4 – Appropriate planning and development

- Review and develop town planning policies including a policy with regards to sea containers.
- Review and update the Shire Policy Register to reflect current policies and develop new policies relevant to recent regulatory changes.

RISK IMPLICATIONS:

Risk management is the removal of uncertainty from business decisions. Risk is expressed in terms of likelihood it may occur and the consequences that may flow from it. The consequences may be positive or negative or simply a deviation from the expected. The risk or consequence may be related to health and safety; financial; business or service interruption; compliance; reputation; or the environment. ***Reference to the risk matrix below will generate a***

risk rating by assessing the likelihood and consequence and multiplying these scores by each other. The greater the risk rating, the greater the risk and the higher the need for specific plans to be developed. All items with a risk rating greater than 10 should be added to the Risk Register and specific controls developed.

Risk Themes:

A risk theme is the categorising of risk. For example, the collection of risks that represent compliance failure. The risk themes in the shire Risk Register include:

- Business Disruption
- Community Disruption
- IT or Communications Failure
- External Threat or Fraud
- Misconduct
- Inadequate safety or security practices
- Inadequate project or change management
- Errors Omissions or Delays
- Inadequate Document Management Processes
- Inadequate supplier / contract management
- Providing inaccurate advice / information
- Ineffective Employment practices
- Compliance failure
- Inadequate asset management
- Inadequate engagement practices
- Ineffective facility or event management
- Inadequate environmental management

Risk Matrix:

Consequence		Insignificant	Minor	Moderate	Significant	Severe
Likelihood		1	2	3	4	5
Almost Certain	5	Medium (5)	High (10)	High (15)	Extreme (20)	Extreme (25)
Likely	4	Low (4)	Medium (8)	High (12)	High (16)	Extreme (20)
Possible	3	Low (3)	Medium (6)	Medium (9)	High (12)	High (15)
Unlikely	2	Low (2)	Low (4)	Medium (6)	Medium (8)	High (10)
Rare	1	Low (1)	Low (2)	Low (3)	Low (4)	Medium (5)

Description of Key Risk	Loss of reputation, hindering development
Risk Likelihood (based on history and with existing controls)	Unlikely (2)
Risk Consequence	Moderate (3)
Risk Rating (Prior to Treatment or Control): Likelihood x Consequence	Medium (6)
Principal Risk Theme	Compliance Failure
Risk Action Plan (Controls or Treatment Proposed)	Ensure the Council and community are aware of the benefits of establishing a policy to balance the need to streamline development applications while also recognising the environmental importance of the catchment area.

VOTING REQUIREMENTS:

Simple Majority

RESOLUTION CO-2023-105

Moved: Cr Adam Squires

Seconded: Cr Graeme Peirce

1. That pursuant to Schedule 2 Clause 4(3) of the Planning and Development (Local Planning Scheme) Regulations 2015 Council adopt for advertising Local Planning Policy No 4 Wellington Catchment (as contained in Attachment 1).
2. That the draft Local Planning Policy be advertised for a minimum period of 21 days in the Community Newspaper and on the Shire website.
3. That following advertising of the Draft LPP, a report be prepared to Council to:
 - Consider any submissions which might have been received;
 - Modify and / adopt the LPP for final approval; and
 - Document any proposed delegation to the CEO.

In Favour: Crs Neil Morrell, Graeme Peirce, Karen Harrington, Neil Manuel, Duncan South and Adam Squires

Against: Nil

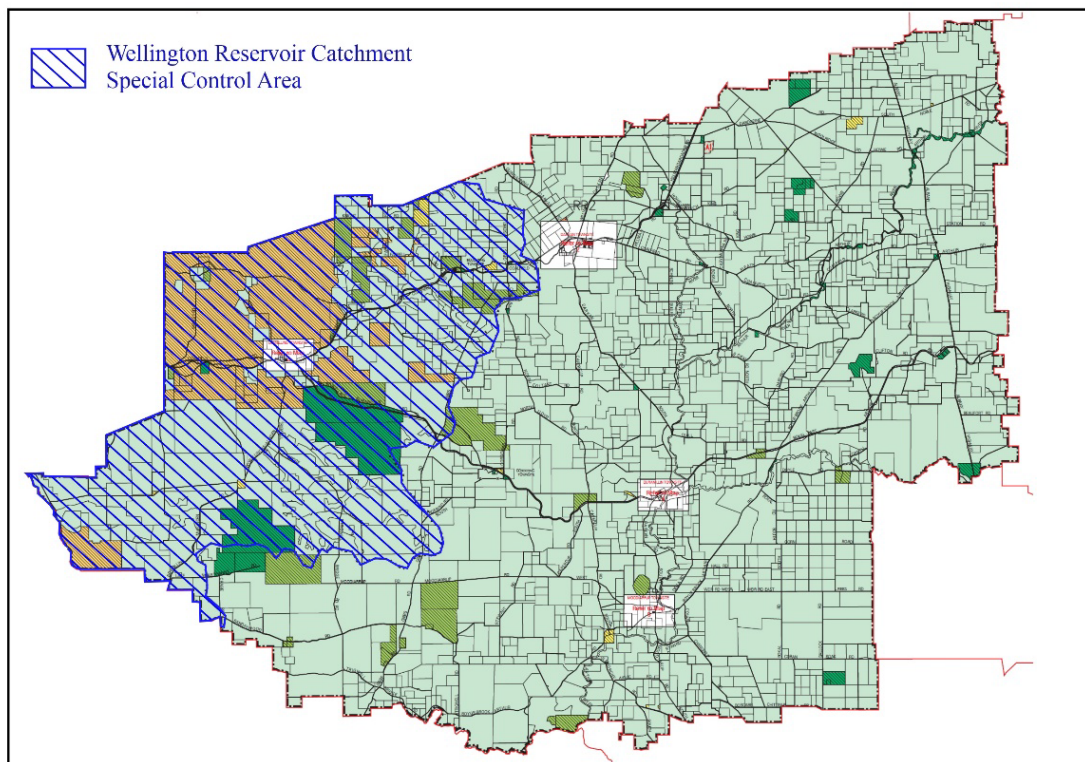
CARRIED 6/0

Attachment 1 – Draft Local Planning Policy No 4.

Shire of West Arthur
LOCAL PLANNING POLICY NO 4
WELLINGTON CATCHMENT

Policy Area

This Policy applies to land within the Wellington Reservoir Catchment Special Control Area as designated in Local Planning Scheme No 2 and shown below.



Background

The Wellington Reservoir catchment is gazetted under the Country Areas Water Source Supply (CAWS) Act 1947. The clearing of native vegetation in this area is restricted to prevent further salinisation of water resources. However, it is no longer a Public Drinking Water Source Area (PDWSA) and the constraints relating to land uses and activities to protect drinking water no longer apply.

Clause 6.2. of the Local Planning Scheme No 2 contains provisions relating to the Wellington Reservoir Catchment Special Control Area. It stipulates that:

- Planning approval is required for all development including a single house; and
- All applications are to be referred to the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation (DWER) and the local government is to have due regard to recommendations/advice received from the Department when determining applications.

DWER has advised Council that:

1. There is no general objection to residential development in the Wellington Catchment;

Attachment 1 – Draft Local Planning Policy No 4.

2. Referral is a matter of judgement and the legalities of the Local Planning Scheme;
3. Clearing of native vegetation and/or interference with waterways are flags for referral; and
4. The referral of applications for single dwellings and farm sheds would appear unnecessary, where:
 - There is no clearing of native vegetation; and
 - The development is appropriately setback from any defined water course.

Objective

- ❖ To clarify the processing and referral of development applications; and
- ❖ To prevent the pollution of water within the special control area.

Policy Statement

- A) For the purpose of administrating the provisions of Clause 6.2. of the Scheme:
- The previous advice from the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation is deemed to satisfy the need to refer an application pursuant to Clause 6.2.4 of the Scheme where the application is consistent with that advice being that there is no objection to development in the Wellington Catchment where there is no clearing of native vegetation and the development is setback appropriately from any defined water course.
 - That approval of an application consistent with that advice satisfies the requirement of Clause 6.2.4 for the local government to have due regard to recommendations/advice received from the Department when determining applications.
- B) That any development approval shall include conditions and / or advice notes reinforcing that any clearing of native vegetation within the catchment requires the approval of the DWER.

At 8.12 pm, Cr Robyn Lubcke returned to the meeting.

15 MOTIONS OF WHICH PREVIOUS NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

Nil

16 NEW OR URGENT BUSINESS INTRODUCED BY DECISION OF THE MEETING

Nil

17 MATTERS BEHIND CLOSED DOORS

RESOLUTION CO-2023-106

Moved: Cr Adam Squires
 Seconded: Cr Graeme Peirce

That Council considers the confidential report(s) listed below in a meeting closed to the public in accordance with Section 5.23(2) of the Local Government Act 1995:

17.1 Sector Contribution to Legal Fees to Manage Sector Industrial Relations Transition Issues

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 5.23(2) - (d) of the Local Government Act, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with legal advice obtained, or which may be obtained, by the local government and which relates to a matter to be discussed at the meeting.

In Favour: Crs Neil Morrell, Graeme Peirce, Karen Harrington, Robyn Lubcke, Neil Manuel, Duncan South and Adam Squires

Against: Nil

CARRIED 7/0

17.1 SECTOR CONTRIBUTION TO LEGAL FEES TO MANAGE SECTOR INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS TRANSITION ISSUES

File Reference: ADM389
Location: N/A
Applicant: N/A
Author: Vin Fordham Lamont, Chief Executive Officer
Authorising Officer: Vin Fordham Lamont, Chief Executive Officer
Date: 28/08/2023
Disclosure of Interest: Nil

Attachments:

1. Letter from WAIRC to WALGA (Representing City of Cockburn) - CONFIDENTIAL
2. WASU Application to Represent Outside Workers at the City of Rockingham - CONFIDENTIAL

The Council is satisfied that, pursuant to Section 5.23(2) of the *Local Government Act 1995*, the information to be received, discussed or considered in relation to this agenda item is:

- (d) legal advice obtained, or which may be obtained, by the local government and which relates to a matter to be discussed at the meeting.

RESOLUTION CO-2023-107

Moved: Cr Graeme Peirce

Seconded: Cr Adam Squires

That Council contribute \$1,000 to the WALGA Industrial Relations Transition Fund to be spent on legal fees for IR matters, either through an individual local government engaging lawyers or WALGA engaging lawyers, where the industrial matter impacts on the whole sector.

In Favour: Crs Graeme Peirce, Robyn Lubcke, Neil Manuel, Duncan South and Adam Squires

Against: Crs Neil Morrell and Karen Harrington

CARRIED 5/2**RESOLUTION CO-2023-108**

Moved: Cr Karen Harrington

Seconded: Cr Robyn Lubcke

That Council moves out of Closed Council into Open Council.

In Favour: Crs Neil Morrell, Graeme Peirce, Karen Harrington, Robyn Lubcke, Neil Manuel, Duncan South and Adam Squires

Against: Nil

CARRIED 7/0

Cr Morrell presented a gift and framed certificate of service to Cr Manuel and thanked him for his 14 years' service on Council.

18 CLOSURE OF MEETING

The Presiding Member declared the Meeting closed at 8.20pm.